(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Finds that it is in the state's interest to support the economic vitality of all cities and towns and recognizes that those cities and towns with a population of less than five thousand are unable to fully maintain and preserve their street system.

Finds it is necessary to create a small city pavement and sidewalk account.

Creates the pavement preservation account in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from motor vehicle fuel and special fuel taxes distributed into the account under RCW 46.68.090 must be deposited into the account. Expenditures from the account may be used only for distribution to qualifying cities and towns for the maintenance, repair, and resurfacing of city and town streets.

Declares that only the executive director of the transportation improvement board or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.