

HOUSE BILL REPORT

SB 5798

As Reported by House Committee On:
Transportation

Title: An act relating to design-build construction for transportation projects.

Brief Description: Preserving the use of design-build construction on certain transportation projects.

Sponsors: Senators Swecker and Haugen.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Transportation: 3/28/07, 3/30/07 [DP].

Brief Summary of Bill

- Removes the expiration date for the directive that the Department of Transportation develop a design-build process.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 21 members: Representatives Clibborn, Chair; Flannigan, Vice Chair; Jarrett, Ranking Minority Member; Appleton, Armstrong, Curtis, Dickerson, Hailey, Hankins, Hudgins, Lovick, Rodne, Rolfes, Sells, Simpson, Springer, B. Sullivan, Takko, Upthegrove, Wallace and Wood.

Staff: Jeff Olsen (786-7157).

Background:

In 1998, the Legislature granted the Department of Transportation (DOT) statutory authority to use design-build contracting on two pilot projects, each of which had to cost over \$10 million. The DOT was directed to develop criteria for use of the design-build process to include the scope of services, contractor pre-qualification requirements, evaluation criteria, and a dispute resolution procedure.

In 2001, the Legislature granted the authority to use design-build on projects costing over \$10 million, and extended the expiration date to April 30, 2008. During the 2006 session, the

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Legislature removed the April 30, 2008, expiration date, and authorized up to five pilot projects on smaller design-build projects costing between \$2 and \$5 million.

Summary of Bill:

The expiration date for the DOT to develop a design-build process is removed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: None.

Persons Testifying: None.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.