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- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 2 following:
- 3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The intent of the legislature is to make state capital budget and transportation budget appropriation and 4 expenditure data as transparent and easy to use by the public as is 5 6 It is important to provide information to the public on state capital and transportation investments by legislative district 7 8 and county in a format that is easy to navigate and comprehend. 9 Providing such information contributes to governmental accountability, 10 public participation, agency efficiency, and open government.
- 11 **Sec. 2.** RCW 44.48.150 and 2008 c 326 s 2 are each amended to read 12 as follows:
 - (1) By January 1, 2009, in collaboration with the office of financial management, using existing databases and structures currently shared, the office of the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee shall establish and make available to the public a searchable state expenditure information web site. The state expenditure information web site shall provide access to current budget data, access to current accounting data for budgeted expenditures and staff, and access to historical data. At a minimum, the web site will provide access or links to the following information as data are available:
 - (a) State expenditures by fund or account;
- 24 (b) State expenditures by agency, program, and subprogram;
- 25 (c) State revenues by major source;
- 26 (d) State expenditures by object and subobject;
- (e) State agency workloads, caseloads, and performance measures, and recent performance audits; and
 - (f) State agency budget data by activity.

- 1 (2) "State agency," as used in this section, includes every state 2 agency, office, board, commission, or institution of the executive, 3 legislative, or judicial branches, including institutions of higher 4 education.
 - (3) The state expenditure information web site shall be updated periodically as subsequent fiscal year data become available, and the prior year expenditure data shall be maintained by the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee as part of its ten-year historical budget data.
 - (4) For each capital appropriation bill considered by the full body or fiscal committees of either chamber of the legislature it must be accompanied by a summary of capital appropriations by legislative district. The summary of capital appropriations by legislative district must include the following categories for each legislative district:
 - (a) The total level of all appropriations:
- 17 <u>(i) The level of appropriations attributable to competitive grant</u>
 18 <u>and loan programs;</u>
- 19 <u>(ii) The level of appropriations to state institutions of higher</u> 20 education;
- 21 <u>(iii) The level of appropriations for state agency facilities other</u> 22 <u>than higher education; and</u>
- 23 <u>(iv) The level of all other appropriations which are attributable</u> 24 to an individual district.
- 25 <u>(b) The summary of capital appropriations required by this section</u>
 26 <u>must include the percent of total capital appropriations each</u>
 27 legislative district would receive.
 - (c) For the purposes of this section, a capital appropriation bill includes the original capital appropriations bill filed by a member of the house or the senate, any substitute bill, and any striking amendment.
 - (5) By January 1, 2014, current and future capital project and transportation project investments must be coded with the geographic information sufficient to permit the public to search and identify appropriation and expenditure data at the parent and subproject level to the extent available by:
- 37 (a) State legislative district;
- 38 (b) County; and

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- 1 (c) Agency project identifier.
 - (6) The office of the legislative evaluation and accountability program committee must, within existing resources, update the state expenditure information web site to allow the public to search for capital budget and transportation projects by selecting from an online geographical map. The map must allow an in-depth examination of financial and other data associated with such projects. Data elements must include:
- 9 (a) Project title;

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- 10 (b) Total appropriation;
- 11 (c) Project description;
- 12 (d) Expenditure data; and
- (e) Administering agency.
- (7) The web site must be easy to use, contain current and readily available data, and allow for review and analysis by the public. The legislative evaluation and accountability program committee must test the web site with potential users to ensure that it is easy to navigate
- 18 and comprehend."

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On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "expenditures;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 44.48.150; and creating a new section."

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