

**SB 5994-S.E2 - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS PASSED LEGISLATURE)

Requires a local government, to the greatest extent practicable, to make a final determination on all permits required for a project on a state highway no later than ninety days after the department of transportation's submission of a complete permit application for a project with an estimated cost of less than five hundred million dollars.

Authorizes construction on certain department of transportation projects to begin twenty-one days after the date of filing for a shoreline management act permit if all components of the project achieve a no net loss of shoreline ecological functions.

Exempts certain department of transportation projects and activities from requirements to obtain a substantial development permit, conditional use permit, variance, letter of exemption, or other review conducted by a local government to implement the shoreline management act.

Requires the department of transportation to: (1) Coordinate a state agency work group in 2016 that will identify issues, laws, and regulations relevant to consolidating and coordinating the review processes under the national and state environmental policy acts to streamline the review of and avoid delays to projects on state highways; and

(2) Provide written notification of certain projects and activities with a cost in excess of one million dollars before the design or plan is finalized to all agencies with jurisdiction, agencies with facilities or services that may be impacted, and adjacent property owners.