# FINAL BILL REPORT ESSB 5965

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description**: Making supplemental capital appropriations for the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, making capital reappropriations for the 2017-2019 fiscal biennium, and making new appropriations for the school construction assistance program for the 2017-2019 fiscal biennium.

**Sponsors**: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Honeyford).

# Senate Committee on Ways & Means

**Background**: The programs and agencies of state government are funded on a two-year basis, with each fiscal biennium beginning on July 1st of odd-numbered years. The Capital Budget generally includes appropriations for the acquisition, construction, and repair of capital assets such as land, buildings, and other infrastructure improvements.

**Summary**: The 2017-19 Capital Budget authorizes new capital projects for state agencies and institutions of higher education for the 2017-19 fiscal biennium. The bill makes adjustments to the 2015-17 Capital Budget.

The 2015-17 Capital Budget is adjusted; there is a net decrease of \$5.8 million. The budget makes reappropriations of \$2.5 billion for 2017-19 to continue projects authorized in prior biennia appropriations are able to continue without disruptions to construction schedules. This includes:

- \$1.2 billion for natural resources projects;
- \$584 million for public schools and other education;
- \$447 million for general government projects;
- \$167 million for higher education projects; and
- \$116 million for human services projects.

Budget summary materials are available online at <a href="www.fiscal.wa.gov">www.fiscal.wa.gov</a> under the Budget Bills & Documents header (Capital Budget).

## **Votes on Final Passage:**

## Third Special Session

Senate 47 2

House 93 0

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