Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

BILL ANALYSIS

Transportation Committee

HB 2270

Brief Description: Adjusting stop signal requirements for school buses.

Sponsors: Representatives Dolan, Thai and Wylie; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Modifies the specifications of stop signals that school buses must be equipped with such that they must meet or exceed federal standards.

Hearing Date: 1/23/20

Staff: Beth Redfield (786-7140).

Background:

Every school bus and private carrier bus shall be equipped with a stop signal upon a background not less than 14 x 18 inches displaying the word "stop" in letters of distinctly contrasting colors not less than 8 inches high.

Summary of Bill:

The specific height of the letters in the word "stop" is removed and a requirement to meet or exceed federal standards is added.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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

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