
Transportation Committee

SB 6283

Brief Description: Eliminating the expiration date for the Sandy Williams connecting communities program.

Sponsors: Senators Nobles, Billig, Shewmake, Holy, King, Lias, Lovick, Wilson, C., Wilson, J., Valdez, Kauffman, Hawkins, Lovelett, Padden, Fortunato, Cleveland, Trudeau, Frame, Hasegawa, Kuderer, Saldaña and Stanford.

<p>Brief Summary of Bill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eliminates the July 1, 2027, expiration date of the Sandy Williams Connecting Communities Program.
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Hearing Date: 2/22/24

Staff: Beth Redfield (786-7140).

Background:

The Sandy Williams Connecting Communities Program was created in 2022 as part of the Move Ahead Washington package to increase safe and continuous routes for active transportation users in communities that have been bifurcated by current or former state highways.

The program was launched as a pilot for two biennia, 2023-25 and 2025-27, and is administered by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). Projects selected under the program must prioritize areas with vulnerable or overburdened communities, adjacent to tribal lands, are low income, and areas with crash experience of active transportation users. The program expires July 1, 2027.

Summary of Bill:

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

The expiration date of the Sandy Williams Connecting Communities Program at the WSDOT is eliminated.

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.