SENATE BILL REPORT
SB 6005

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Transportation, February 26, 2026

Title: An act relating to transportation funding and appropriations.

Brief Description: Making supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

Sponsors: Senators Liias, King and Nobles; by request of Office of Financial Management.

Brief History:
Committee Activity: Transportation: 1/13/26, 2/24/26, 2/26/26 [DPS].

Brief Summary of First Substitute Bill

- Makes supplemental transportation appropriations for the 2025-27 fiscal biennium.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6005 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Liias, Chair; Krishnadasan, Vice Chair; Lovick, Vice Chair; King, Ranking Member; Goehner, Assistant Ranking Member; Alvarado, Chapman, Christian, Cortes, Fortunato, Harris, Holy, Hunt, Lovelett, MacEwen, Shewmake, Valdez and Wilson, J..

Staff: Brandon Popovac (786-7465)

Background: The operating and capital expenses of state transportation agencies and programs are funded on a biennial basis by an omnibus transportation budget adopted by the Legislature in odd-numbered years. Supplemental budgets may be adopted during the biennium, making various modifications to agency appropriations.

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.

Summary of Bill: The bill as referred to committee not considered.

Summary of Bill (First Substitute): The 2025-27 appropriations for various state transportation agencies and programs are modified.

Budget summary materials can be found in the SCS tab in the committee materials for the public hearing.

EFFECT OF CHANGES MADE BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (First Substitute):

Various provisions with differing fiscal impacts were added as committee amendments, resulting in a net increase of $14.7 million in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

Appropriation: Various.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony on Original Bill (January 13, 2026): *The committee recommended a different version of the bill than what was heard.* Please refer to the January 13, 2026 recording of the public hearing on the Senate Transportation Committee Schedules, Agendas & Documents website at: https://app.leg.wa.gov/committeeschedules/#//TRAN/.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Senator Marko Liias, Prime Sponsor; Lara Lant, City of Bainbridge Island, City Manager; Mike Ennis, Washington Asphalt Pavement Association (WAPA) and ICON Materials, a CRH Company; Ken Short, AWB; Neil Strege, Washington Roundtable; Jerry VanderWood, Associated General Contractors (AGC); Eric ffitch, Washington Public Ports Association; Axel Swanson, Washington State Association of Counties; Jake Lewing, City of Wenatchee.

CON: Tim Eyman, Initiative Activist; Peter Brady.

OTHER: Steven Ellis, Association of Washington Cities; Dania Otto, Sakura 39ers Youth Association; Mary Paterson; Kati Durkin, Washington Federation of State Employees; Sean Eagan, The Northwest Seaport Alliance; Tim Gould.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: No one.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony on Proposed Substitute (February 24, 2026): *The committee recommended a different version of the bill than what was heard.* Please refer to

the February 24, 2026 recording of the public hearing on the Senate Transportation Committee Schedules, Agendas & Documents website at: https://app.leg.wa.gov/committeeschedules/#//TRAN/.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Senator Marko Liias, Prime Sponsor; Lyset Cadena, WSTA; Kirk Hovenkotter, Transportation Choices Coalition; Vicky Clarke, Washington Bikes; Isaac Kastama, Clean & Prosperous Washington; Dania Otto, Sakura 39ers ; Robin Koskey, Puget Sound Regional Council; Neil Strege, Washington Roundtable; Billy Wallace, Washington & Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers; Jerry VanderWood, Associated General Contractors (AGC); Renee Jensen, Snoqualmie Valley Health; Eric ffitch, Washington Public Ports Association; Axel Swanson, Washington State Association of Counties; Lily Wilson-Codega, Inland Boatmen's Union & International Association of Masters, Mates & Pilots; Mike Ennis, Washington Asphalt Pavement Association (WAPA); Steven Ellis, Association of Washington Cities.

OTHER: Breck Lebegue, WA Physicians for Social Responsibility; Leah Missik, Climate Solutions; Lara Lant, City of Bainbridge Island, City Manager; Kyle Moore, City of Kent; George Hurst, City of Lynnwood Mayor; Kyle Twohig, Spokane Regional Transportation Management Center Executive Board; Mary Paterson; Lael White, Climate Rail Alliance.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: No one.