

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6185

As Passed Senate, February 10, 2004

Title: An act relating to the disposition of title fees.

Brief Description: Modifying the disposition of title fees.

Sponsors: Senators Horn and Haugen.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Highways & Transportation: 1/15/04, 1/20/04 [DP, DNP].
Passed Senate: 2/10/04, 44-5.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Horn, Chair; Swecker, Vice Chair; Esser, Haugen, Jacobsen, Kastama, Murray, Oke and Spanel.

Minority Report: Do not pass.

Signed by Senator Mulliken.

Staff: Dean Carlson (786-7305)

Background: SB 6072, which passed during the 2003 session, transferred some vehicle title fees to accounts funding three activities: (1) retrofitting school buses with exhaust emission control devices, (2) locating a tug boat at the entrance of the Strait of Juan de Fuca whose primary mission is to arrest the drift of disabled vessels in order to prevent a spill, and (3) to provide funding to the nickel account.

After the 2003 session it was found that the language in SB 6072 did not transfer the funds to the appropriate accounts that were intended in the bill, thus not providing the funding necessary to provide the services that the bill intended.

Summary of Bill: Corrections are made to the disposition of title fee revenue to meet the intentions and the appropriations made in SB 6072.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect on July 1, 2004.

Testimony For: This is a technical fix that completes the funding. This is a very important program. It will help to reduce asthma problems and lost days of school for children.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Dale Jensen, Department of Ecology (pro); Dennis McLerran, Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (pro).