

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6279

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Clarifying regional transit authority facilities as essential public facilities.

Sponsors: Senators Kline, Murray and Haugen.

Senate Committee on Transportation
House Committee on Local Government & Housing

Background: Under current law, the comprehensive plans of local governments planning under the Growth Management Act (GMA) must include a process for identifying and siting essential public facilities. Essential public facilities are defined as facilities that are typically difficult to site, such as airports, education facilities, highways of statewide significance, correctional facilities, and solid waste facilities.

Local governments planning under the GMA may not preclude the siting of essential public facilities.

Summary: Regional transit authority facilities are specifically identified as essential public facilities.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	47	0
House	63	35

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