

2 **HB 2941** - S COMM AMD
3 By Committee on Transportation

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "Sec. 1. RCW 82.44.180 and 1991 c 199 s 224 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The transportation fund is created in the state treasury.
10 Revenues under RCW 82.44.020 (1) and (2), 82.44.110, 82.44.150, and the
11 surcharge under RCW 82.50.510 shall be deposited into the fund as
12 provided in those sections.

13 Moneys in the fund may be spent only after appropriation.
14 Expenditures from the fund may be used only for transportation
15 purposes.

16 (2) There is hereby created the central Puget Sound public
17 transportation account within the transportation fund. Moneys
18 deposited into the account under RCW 82.44.150(2)(b) shall be
19 ~~((expended))~~ appropriated to the department of transportation and
20 allocated under section 2 of this act to public transportation projects
21 within the three-county region from which the funds are derived, solely
22 for:

- 23 (a) Planning;
- 24 (b) Development of transit-related capital projects;
- 25 (c) Development of high capacity transportation systems as defined
26 in RCW 81.104.010;
- 27 ~~((b))~~ (d) Development of high occupancy vehicle lanes and related
28 facilities as defined in RCW 81.100.020; and

1 ~~((e))~~ (e) Public transportation system contributions required to
2 fund projects under federal programs and those approved by the
3 transportation improvement board. Only those transit agencies that
4 impose the excise tax authorized by RCW 35.58.273 are eligible for
5 these funds.

6 (3) There is hereby created the public transportation systems
7 account within the transportation fund. Moneys deposited into the
8 account under RCW 82.44.150(2)(c) shall be ~~((available to the))~~
9 appropriated to the department of transportation and allocated under
10 section 2 of this act to public transportation projects submitted by
11 public transportation systems ~~((from which the funds are derived))~~ that
12 are located outside the three-county area to which the central Puget
13 Sound transportation account applies and that impose the excise tax
14 under RCW 35.58.273, solely for:

15 (a) Planning;

16 (b) Development of transit-related capital projects;

17 (c) Development of high capacity transportation systems as defined
18 in RCW 81.104.010;

19 ~~((b))~~ (d) Development of high occupancy vehicle lanes and related
20 facilities as defined in RCW 81.100.020;

21 ~~((e))~~ (e) Other public transportation system-related roadway
22 projects on state highways, county roads, or city streets; ~~((and))~~

23 ~~((d))~~ (f) Public transportation system contributions required to
24 fund projects under federal programs and those approved by the
25 transportation improvement board; and

26 (g) Acquisition of facilities and equipment for (i) transit systems
27 established after the effective date of this act and (ii) for transit
28 systems located in economically distressed areas as defined in RCW
29 43.168.020(4)(a).

1 The department shall give preference to applications submitted
2 under (g) of this subsection."

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new chapter is added to Title 47 RCW to
4 read as follows:

5 To help achieve the goals identified in the public transportation
6 policy plan required by RCW 47.---.--- (section 1, chapter ---, Laws of
7 1992 (SHB 2939)), the department shall allocate to transit agencies
8 amounts appropriated from the central Puget Sound public transportation
9 account created by RCW 82.44.180(2), and from the public transportation
10 systems account created by RCW 82.44.180(3). The department shall make
11 the allocations in accordance with the following procedures:

12 (1) By July 1, 1992, the department shall submit to the legislative
13 transportation committee the management plan by which the allocation
14 process will be governed, including identification of any local match
15 requirements.

16 (2) By August 1, 1992, and by July 1st of each even-numbered year
17 thereafter, transit agencies shall apply to the department for funding
18 in the ensuing biennium from the appropriate account, for the types of
19 projects identified in RCW 82.44.180(2) or (3).

20 (3) The department shall establish an advisory council of policy
21 and technical experts to assist in the review and prioritization of
22 requests from transit agencies. Council representation shall include
23 transit agencies of varying size and from various geographic regions of
24 the state.

25 (4) The department shall include in its biennial budget request
26 submitted to the office of financial management and the legislative
27 transportation committee the prioritized list of projects proposed to
28 be funded from each account in the ensuing biennium.

1 To the extent possible, the department shall allocate the amount
2 appropriated by the legislature from each account to transit agency
3 projects in the order of priority for each account.

4 For the purposes of this chapter, "transit agency" means an agency
5 that imposes a motor vehicle excise tax under RCW 35.58.273, and, if
6 authorized by the legislature, regional transit authorities."

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10 In line 1 of the title, after "funding;" strike the remainder of
11 the title and insert "amending RCW 82.44.180; and adding a new chapter
12 to Title 47 RCW."