

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 2302

Synopsis as Enacted

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Brief Description: Allocating moneys for public works projects recommended by the public works board.

By House Committee on Capital Facilities & Financing
(originally sponsored by Representatives H. Sommers,
Miller, Rasmussen, Jones, Orr and P. Johnson; by request
of Department of Community Development).

House Committee on Capital Facilities & Financing
Senate Committee on Ways & Means

Background: The Public Works Trust Fund is a revolving loan fund program that assists local governments and special districts with infrastructure development. The Public Works Board, within the Department of Community Development, is authorized to make low-interest or interest-free loans to finance the repair, replacement or improvement of essential public works systems: bridges, roads, water systems, and sanitary and storm sewer projects. Growth-related public works projects, and projects for port districts and school districts are not eligible to receive funding through the Public Works Trust Fund.

Each year, the Public Works Board submits a list of projects to the Legislature for approval. The Legislature may delete a project from the list but may not add any projects or change the order of project priorities. The money in the Public Works Trust Fund is dedicated revenue from utility and sales taxes on water, sewer, and garbage collection and from a portion of the real estate excise tax.

Summary: The bill authorizes loans for 46 public works projects totaling \$42,678,008 and a \$1,000,000 loan pool for future emergency public works projects, all recommended by the Public Works Board for fiscal year 1992. The appropriation for these projects was included in the 1991-1993 capital budget.

The public works projects authorized for funding are: (1) 16 water projects for a total of \$13,467,114; (2) 14 sanitary sewer projects for a total of \$16,030,744; (3) eight planning projects for a total of \$183,750; (4) seven road projects for a total of \$12,288,400; and (5) one bridge project for a total of \$708,000.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	95	0
Senate	49	0

Effective: March 31, 1992