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5 On page 48, after line 21, insert the following:

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**"PART VII**

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**NEW REVENUE BUDGET**

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 701.** (1) The legislature finds and declares  
9 that it is essential for the economic, social, environmental, and  
10 economic well-being of the state and the maintenance of a high quality  
11 of life that the people of the state have an efficient and effective  
12 multimodal transportation system. Increased investment in state and  
13 local transportation programs is necessary to preserve and maintain the  
14 existing state-wide transportation system and provide safety and  
15 capacity improvements that increase the accessibility, mobility, and  
16 safety to the traveling and commuting public.

17 Deteriorating transportation infrastructure and growing traffic  
18 congestion on public highways, streets, and roads that also serve as  
19 freight corridors, threaten to erode Washington's strategic position as  
20 a gateway to the global economy and the state's competitive edge in  
21 domestic trade markets. Transportation system improvements that reduce  
22 barriers to freight movement, enhance work force productivity by  
23 facilitating "just-in-time" management strategies, promote out-of-state  
24 sales of goods and services and encourage business location and  
25 investment decisions are critical to the economic health of  
26 Washington's rural and urban communities.

27 (2) In order to meet the forecasted travel demands of citizens  
28 traveling on Puget Sound state ferry routes, reduce single occupancy  
29 vehicle usage in congested urban centers, facilitate and promote  
30 attainment of federal and state clean air requirements and regional  
31 land use policies, it is necessary to invest in an expanded, high-speed  
32 passenger-only ferry program that provides service between the Olympic  
33 Peninsula and the greater Puget Sound metropolitan area.

34 (3) Completion of the core high occupancy vehicle lanes system in  
35 the Puget Sound region is an essential and cost-effective method for

1 meeting the burgeoning demand for person and freight trips in the  
2 region.

3 (4) An increase in the number of Washington state patrol troopers  
4 is necessary to ensure there are adequate troopers on state highways to  
5 promote a safe driving environment, provide motorist assistance  
6 services, and ensure state-wide emergency response services for the  
7 motoring public.

8 (5) Unlike other state taxes, the motor vehicle fuel tax does not  
9 rise with inflation and economic growth. Therefore, periodic  
10 adjustments to the tax rate is necessary to keep pace with inflation  
11 and ensure that public highways, streets, and roads are maintained,  
12 preserved, and improved.

13 Significant shortfalls in funding for city and county  
14 transportation infrastructure improvements require additional local  
15 taxing authority sufficient to address local transportation priorities  
16 that improve safety, relieve congestion, support economic development,  
17 and the movement of agricultural products from farm to market.

18 (6) State investment of new revenue should: (a) Support a long-  
19 term investment strategy; focus on high priority projects that offer  
20 the best return on investment; (b) leverage state money with other  
21 federal, local government, and private matching funds to increase the  
22 volume of transportation projects; (c) facilitate multijurisdictional  
23 transportation solutions; address the minimization of adverse impacts  
24 on the environment, and mitigation measures that promote cost-effective  
25 environmental stewardship when adverse impacts are unavoidable; (d)  
26 support alternative transportation modes, including, but not limited  
27 to, transit, passenger-only ferry, pedestrian, and bicycle facilities;  
28 (e) balance investments in both eastern and western areas of the state;  
29 and (f) take advantage of bond sales to maximize available revenue.

30 (7) The legislature, therefore, declares a need for the funding  
31 program embodied in this act for: (a) State-wide funding for capacity,  
32 safety, and mobility improvements on state urban and rural highways;  
33 (b) improvements that support the efficient movement of freight and  
34 goods through important freight corridors; (c) the completion of the  
35 core high occupancy vehicle lanes system to meet the growing demand for  
36 moving people in the Puget Sound region; (d) funding for city and  
37 county transportation facilities that provide capacity, safety, and  
38 mobility improvements to more efficiently move people, freight, and  
39 goods on city streets and county roads; (e) funding for expanded state

1 passenger-only ferry service; and (f) funding for additional Washington  
2 state patrol troopers.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 702. FOR THE COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD**

4 Motor Vehicle Fund--County Road Equalization  
5 Account--State Appropriation . . . . . \$ 17,242,000

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 703. FOR THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT BOARD**

7 Motor Vehicle Fund--City Major Urban Project  
8 Account--State Appropriation . . . . . \$ 17,242,000

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 704. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION--**  
10 **IMPROVEMENTS--PROGRAM I**

11 Motor Vehicle Fund--State Appropriation . . . . . \$ 489,427,000

12 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
13 conditions and limitations and the specified amount is provided solely  
14 for that activity:

15 (1) The motor vehicle fund--state appropriation includes  
16 \$489,427,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by sections  
17 2 through 7 of Senate Bill No. 6090. The transportation commission may  
18 authorize the use of current revenues available to the department of  
19 transportation in lieu of bond proceeds for any part of the state  
20 appropriation.

21 (2)(a) The project called "SR 520 Corridor Alternative Analysis" in  
22 Program I shall be hereafter called the "Trans-Lake Washington Study."

23 (b) The department of transportation shall conduct a comprehensive  
24 study examining alternative transportation options for east-west  
25 traffic in King county addressing mobility, mitigation, preservation,  
26 and access. Such study shall include but not be limited to:  
27 Transportation flows east and west across Lake Washington on SR 520 and  
28 I-90, as well as north around Lake Washington; alternatives for  
29 enhancing traffic flow for those currently using SR 520 from the  
30 eastern side of Lake Washington through to the terminus of SR 520 in  
31 Redmond; integration of such alternatives with I-5 and I-405; long-term  
32 maintenance and safety needs for the Evergreen Point Floating Bridge;  
33 and consideration of all modes of transportation, including transit and  
34 transportation demand management. Comprehensive mitigation of existing

1 and future impacts shall be an integral and inseparable part of any  
2 alternatives studied. The study shall be conducted with extensive  
3 citizen, local jurisdiction, community, and user stakeholder  
4 involvement in both scoping and in development of alternatives. The  
5 goal of the study shall be to develop a set of reasonable and feasible  
6 solutions.

7 (c) By November 1997, the department shall submit a study schedule  
8 to the legislative transportation committee setting forth major  
9 milestones, and the process developed for scoping and conducting the  
10 study, which process shall be developed with the affected stakeholders.  
11 The study shall be completed by December 1998.

12 (d) The motor vehicle fund appropriation includes \$1,500,000 to  
13 carry out the provisions of this subsection.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 705. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION--**  
15 **PRESERVATION--PROGRAM P**

16 Motor Vehicle Fund--State Appropriation . . . . . \$ 14,000,000

17 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
18 conditions and limitations and the specified amount is provided solely  
19 for that activity: The appropriation is provided for repair of storm  
20 damage to the state route 520 floating bridge.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 706. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION--**  
22 **TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT--PROGRAM S**

23 Motor Vehicle Fund--State Appropriation . . . . . \$ 1,400,000

24 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
25 conditions and limitations and the specified amount is provided solely  
26 for that activity: The appropriation is provided solely for  
27 expenditure in fiscal year 1998 for upgrading the department's state-  
28 wide data communication network. The department shall provide a  
29 progress report to the legislative transportation committee and the  
30 office of financial management by January 31, 1998.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 707. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION--**  
32 **WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES CONSTRUCTION--PROGRAM W**

33 Motor Vehicle Fund--Puget Sound Capital  
34 Construction Account--State Appropriation . . \$ 39,707,000

1	Motor Vehicle Fund--Puget Sound Capital		
2	Construction Account--Federal		
3	Appropriation . . . . .	\$	13,669,000
4	TOTAL APPROPRIATION . . . . .	\$	53,376,000

5       The appropriations in this section are provided for improving the  
6 Washington state ferry system, including, but not limited to, vessel  
7 acquisition, vessel construction, major and minor vessel improvements,  
8 and terminal construction and improvements. The appropriations in this  
9 section are subject to the following conditions and limitations and  
10 specified amounts are provided solely for that activity:

11       (1) The Puget Sound capital construction account--state  
12 appropriation includes \$36,466,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds  
13 authorized by sections 8 through 12 of Senate Bill No. 6090 for  
14 construction of passenger-only vessel and terminal facilities.  
15 However, the department of transportation may use current revenues  
16 available to the Puget Sound capital construction account in lieu of  
17 bond proceeds for any part of the state appropriation.

18       (2) The appropriations in this section include funding for  
19 acquisition of the second passenger-only fast ferry included in the  
20 department's 1997-99 current law budget proposal and for acquisition of  
21 only two of the remaining four passenger-only fast ferries included in  
22 the department's 1997-99 agency request budget proposal. It is the  
23 intent of the legislature that the remaining two vessels not be funded  
24 during the 1997-2003 fiscal period.

25       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 708. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION--**  
26 **MARINE--PROGRAM X**

27	Marine Operating Fund--State Appropriation . . .	\$	3,245,000
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28       The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
29 conditions and limitations and specified amounts are provided solely  
30 for that activity:

31       (1) The appropriation is based on the budgeted expenditure of  
32 \$687,000 for vessel operating fuel in the 1997-99 biennium. If the  
33 actual cost of fuel is less than this budgeted amount, the excess  
34 amount may not be expended. If the actual cost exceeds this amount,  
35 the department shall request a supplemental appropriation.

36       (2) The appropriation provides for the compensation of ferry  
37 employees. The expenditures for compensation paid to ferry employees

1 during the 1997-99 biennium may not exceed \$1,952,000 plus a dollar  
2 amount, as prescribed by the office of financial management, that is  
3 equal to any insurance benefit increase granted general government  
4 employees in excess of \$313.95 a month annualized per eligible marine  
5 employee multiplied by the number of eligible marine employees for the  
6 respective fiscal year, a dollar amount as prescribed by the office of  
7 financial management for costs associated with pension amortization  
8 charges, and a dollar amount prescribed by the office of financial  
9 management for salary increases during the 1997-99 biennium. For the  
10 purposes of this section, the expenditures for compensation paid to  
11 ferry employees shall be limited to salaries and wages and employee  
12 benefits as defined in the office of financial management's policies,  
13 regulations, and procedures named under objects of expenditure "A" and  
14 "B" (7.2.6.2).

15 The prescribed salary and insurance benefit increase or decrease  
16 dollar amount that shall be allocated from the governor's compensation  
17 appropriations is in addition to the appropriation contained in this  
18 section and may be used to increase or decrease compensation costs,  
19 effective July 1, 1997, and thereafter, as established in the 1997-99  
20 general fund operating budget.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 709. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION--**  
22 **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND RAIL--PROGRAM Y**

23 Transportation Fund--State Appropriation . . . . \$ 22,000,000

24 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
25 conditions and limitations and specified amounts are provided solely  
26 for that activity:

27 (1) Up to \$2,000,000 of this appropriation is provided for the  
28 rural mobility program administered by the department of  
29 transportation. Priority for grants provided from this account shall  
30 be given to projects and programs that can be accomplished in the 1997-  
31 99 biennium.

32 (2) Up to \$20,000,000 of this appropriation is provided for  
33 implementation of the state's responsibilities under the Americans with  
34 disabilities act. This appropriation shall be available for a grant  
35 program to municipalities, as defined in RCW 35.58.272, providing  
36 public transportation. This program shall consist of a competitive  
37 grant program for projects meeting the specific grant criteria. The

1 program elements shall be developed by the department, in consultation  
2 with the legislative transportation committee, office of financial  
3 management, and eligible transit agencies. The grantees shall be  
4 accountable to both the legislative transportation committee and the  
5 department to ensure that the program criteria are met. Grant  
6 recipients shall submit program and project proposals to the department  
7 that address efficiency, effectiveness, community responsiveness,  
8 coordination, innovation, and need in implementing the Americans with  
9 Disabilities Act and providing special needs transportation. Programs  
10 and projects that can be completed within the 1997-99 biennium will be  
11 given preference. Up to two and one-half percent of the money provided  
12 in this subsection shall be available to the department for  
13 administration purposes.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 710. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION--**  
15 **LOCAL PROGRAMS--PROGRAM Z**

16 Motor Vehicle Fund--State Appropriation . . . . . \$ 153,443,000

17 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
18 conditions and limitations and specified amounts are provided solely  
19 for that activity:

20 (1) \$160,000 of the appropriation in this section is provided to  
21 inspect the Washington state parks and recreation bridges. This  
22 activity will be performed in conjunction with department of  
23 transportation inspection already in place. Each Washington state park  
24 ranger will send to the Washington state parks engineering office in  
25 Tumwater, Washington an inventory of the bridges in their respective  
26 parks along with descriptions and other structural information that is  
27 available. Parks and recreation's engineering department will work  
28 with the department of transportation on the bridge inspection plan to  
29 be completed June 30, 1999.

30 (2) The motor vehicle fund--state appropriation includes  
31 \$152,283,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by sections  
32 2 through 7 of Senate Bill No. 6090. The transportation commission may  
33 authorize the use of current revenues available to the department of  
34 transportation in lieu of bond proceeds for any part of the state  
35 appropriation.

36 (3) The motor vehicle fund--state appropriation includes \$1,000,000  
37 for a fish passage barrier grant program. Any local jurisdiction

1 receiving a project grant under this program must pay a minimum of  
2 fifty percent of the project cost.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 711.** If Senate Bill No. 6091 (transportation  
4 revenue) which provides funding for sections 701 through 710 of this  
5 act is not enacted by June 30, 1997, sections 701 through 710 of this  
6 act are null and void."

7 Renumber the remaining part and sections consecutively.

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