

1513-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Transportation Policy & Budget (originally sponsored by Representatives Radcliff, Scott, Sterk, O'Brien, Robertson, Hatfield, Skinner, Murray, Cairnes, Wolfe and Wensman; by request of Commute Trip Reduction Task Force)

Brief Title: Enhancing transportation demand management.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Recognizes the importance of increasing individual citizens' awareness of air quality, energy consumption, and traffic congestion, and the contribution individual actions can make towards addressing these issues.

Directs transit agencies to work with counties, cities, and towns to take into account the location of major employer worksites when planning transit service changes or the expansion of public transportation services.

Provides that each county, city, or town implementing a commute trip reduction program shall ensure that employers that have modified their employees' work schedules so that some or all employees are not scheduled to arrive at work between 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. are provided credit when calculating single-occupancy vehicle use and vehicle miles traveled at that worksite.

Requires that employers shall make a good faith effort towards achievement of the goals identified in RCW 70.94.527(4)(g).

Provides that no major employer may be held liable for civil penalties for failure to reach the applicable commute trip reduction goals.

Declares that no person, entity, or concern may, as a result of engaging in ride-sharing promotional activities, be liable for civil damages arising directly or indirectly: (1) From the maintenance and operation of a commuter ride-sharing or flexible commuter ride-sharing vehicle; or

(2) from an intentional act of another person who is participating or proposing to participate in a commuter ride-sharing or flexible commuter ride-sharing arrangement, unless the ride-sharing operator or promoter had prior, actual knowledge that the intentional act was likely to occur and had a reasonable ability to prevent the act from occurring.