

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5284

As Passed Senate, March 13, 1999

Title: An act relating to multimodal transportation programs.

Brief Description: Making housekeeping changes to multimodal transportation programs.

Sponsors: Senators Gardner, Goings and Benton; by request of Transportation Improvement Board.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 2/11/99, 3/4/99 [DP].
Passed Senate, 3/13/99, 45-0.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Gardner, Vice Chair; Goings, Vice Chair; Benton, Costa, Eide, Finkbeiner, Heavey, Horn, Jacobsen, Johnson, Morton, Oke, Sellar, Sheahan, T. Sheldon, Shin and Swecker.

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Background: In 1995 the Legislature transferred administration of two grant programs and project selection for another program from the Department of Transportation to the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB). The transferred programs included the Central Puget Sound public transportation account and the public transportation systems account programs, which provide grants for transit-related capital projects, and competitive grants from the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) federal surface transportation program which may be used for a variety of transportation purposes.

Summary of Bill: The reference to the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act is updated to the current federal act, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st century (TEA-21) and all successor acts. The surface transportation program enhancement program is added to the programs that TIB is responsible for prioritizing.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: This is a housekeeping measure. It updates the statute to reflect the new federal act.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: PRO: Senator Gardner, prime sponsor; Jerry Fay, Transportation Improvement Board.