

SENATE BILL 6090

State of Washington 58th Legislature 2003 1st Special Session

By Senator Parlette

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1 AN ACT Relating to redirecting cost savings from the completion of
2 highway construction projects to other highway construction projects;
3 and amending 2003 c 360 s 305 (uncodified).

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** 2003 c 360 s 305 (uncodified) is amended to read as
6 follows:

7 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION--IMPROVEMENTS--PROGRAM I**

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| 8 | Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)--State | |
| 9 | Appropriation | \$565,300,000 |
| 10 | Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)--Federal | |
| 11 | Appropriation | \$950,000 |
| 12 | Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)--Local | |
| 13 | Appropriation | \$3,434,000 |
| 14 | Motor Vehicle Account--State Appropriation | \$157,374,000 |
| 15 | Motor Vehicle Account--Federal Appropriation | \$192,940,000 |
| 16 | Motor Vehicle Account--Local Appropriation | \$13,258,000 |
| 17 | Special Category C Account--State Appropriation | \$50,279,000 |
| 18 | Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account Appropriation | \$613,300,000 |
| 19 | TOTAL APPROPRIATION | \$1,596,835,000 |

1 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following
2 conditions and limitations:

3 (1) \$157,374,000 of the motor vehicle account--state appropriation,
4 \$192,940,000 of the motor vehicle account--federal appropriation,
5 \$13,258,000 of the motor vehicle account--local appropriation, and
6 \$50,279,000 of the special category C account--state appropriation are
7 provided solely to implement the activities and projects included in
8 the Legislative 2003 Transportation Project List - Current Law report
9 as transmitted to LEAP on April 27, 2003.

10 (2) The motor vehicle account--state appropriation includes
11 \$78,000,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by RCW
12 47.10.843. The transportation commission may authorize the use of
13 current revenues available to the department of transportation in lieu
14 of bond proceeds for any part of the state appropriation. The motor
15 vehicle account--state appropriation includes \$18,038,000 in unexpended
16 proceeds from bond sales authorized in RCW 47.10.843 for mobility and
17 economic initiative improvement projects.

18 (3) The Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account--state appropriation
19 includes \$567,000,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by
20 RCW 47.10.843. The Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account--state
21 appropriation includes \$46,300,000 in unexpended proceeds from the
22 January 2003 bond sale authorized in RCW 47.10.843 for the Tacoma
23 Narrows bridge project.

24 (4) The special category C account--state appropriation includes
25 \$44,000,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by RCW
26 47.10.812. The transportation commission may authorize the use of
27 current revenues available in the special category C account in lieu of
28 bond proceeds for any part of the state appropriation.

29 (5) The entire transportation 2003 account (nickel account)
30 appropriation is provided solely for the projects and activities as
31 indicated in the Legislative 2003 Transportation Project List - New Law
32 report transmitted to LEAP on April 27, 2003. Any unexpended funds
33 available after completion of a highway construction project may be
34 redirected by the legislature in the 2004 transportation budget.
35 However, the legislature shall maintain the regional allocation of
36 funds pursuant to the original project list and shall consider the
37 recommendations of the regional transportation planning organization
38 where the savings are realized.

1 (6) The motor vehicle account--state appropriation includes
2 \$280,000,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by Senate
3 Bill No. 6062. The transportation commission may authorize the use of
4 current revenues available to the department of transportation in lieu
5 of bond proceeds for any part of the state appropriation.

6 (7) \$11,000,000 of the motor vehicle account--state appropriation
7 is provided solely for the environmental impact statement on the SR 520
8 Evergreen floating bridge.

9 (8) \$250,000 of the transportation 2003 account (Nickel Account)--
10 state appropriation and an equal amount from the city of Seattle are
11 provided solely for an analysis of the impacts that an expansion of the
12 SR 520 Evergreen floating bridge will have on the streets of North
13 Capitol Hill, Roanoke Park, and Montlake. An advisory committee with
14 two members each from Portage Bay/Roanoke Park Community Council,
15 Montlake Community Council, and the North Capitol Hill community
16 organization along with the secretary of transportation is established.
17 The seven-member committee shall hire and oversee the contract with a
18 transportation consulting organization to: (a) Perform an analysis of
19 such impacts; and (b) design a traffic and circulation plan that
20 mitigates the adverse consequences of such impacts. If the city of
21 Seattle does not agree to provide \$250,000 by January 1, 2004, the
22 amount provided in this subsection shall lapse.

23 (9)(a) \$500,000 of the motor vehicle account--state appropriation
24 is provided solely for a study to provide the legislature with
25 information regarding the feasibility of pursuing a Washington commerce
26 corridor. The department shall retain outside experts to conduct the
27 study. The study must include the following conditions:

28 (i) The Washington commerce corridor must be a north-south corridor
29 starting in the vicinity of Lewis county and extending northerly to the
30 vicinity of the Canadian border. The corridor must be situated east of
31 state route number 405 and west of the Cascades. The corridor may
32 include any of the following features:

- 33 (A) Ability to carry long-haul freight;
- 34 (B) Ability to provide for passenger auto travel;
- 35 (C) Freight rail;
- 36 (D) Passenger rail;
- 37 (E) Public utilities; and

1 (F) Other ancillary facilities as may be desired to maximize use of
2 the corridor;

3 (ii) The Washington commerce corridor must be developed, financed,
4 designed, constructed, and operated by private sector consortiums; and

5 (iii) The Washington commerce corridor must be subject to a joint
6 permitting process involving federal, state, and local agencies with
7 jurisdiction.

8 (b) The legislative transportation committee shall form a working
9 group to work with the department and the outside consultant on the
10 study.

11 (10) \$8,000,000 of the motor vehicle account--state appropriation
12 is provided for the SR 522, University of Washington-Bothell campus
13 access project. This amount will cover approximately one-half of the
14 construction costs.

15 (11) The transportation permit efficiency and accountability
16 committee (TPEAC) shall select from the project list under this
17 subsection ten projects that have not yet secured state permits. TPEAC
18 shall select projects from both urban and rural areas representing a
19 wide variety of locations within the state. These projects shall be
20 designated "Department of Transportation Permit Drafting Pilot
21 Projects" and shall become a part of the work plan of TPEAC required
22 under section 2(1)(b), chapter 8 (ESB 5279), Laws of 2003.

23 (12) Of the amounts appropriated in this section and section 306 of
24 this act, no more than \$124,000 is provided for increased project costs
25 due to the enactment of Substitute Senate Bill No. 5457.

26 (~~(14)~~) (13) To manage some projects more efficiently, federal
27 funds may be transferred from program Z to program I to replace those
28 federal funds in a dollar-for-dollar match. However, funds may not be
29 transferred between federal programs. Fund transfers authorized under
30 this subsection shall not affect project prioritization status.
31 Appropriations shall initially be allotted as appropriated in this act.
32 The department shall not transfer funds as authorized under this
33 subsection without approval of the transportation commission and the
34 director of financial management. The department shall submit a report
35 on those projects receiving fund transfers to the transportation
36 committees of the senate and house of representatives by December 1,

1 2004.

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