

5936-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Highways & Transportation
(originally sponsored by Senator Haugen)

Brief Description: Prescribing penalties for improper HOV lane use.
Revised for 1st Substitute: Enhancing penalties for improper HOV
lane use.

SB 5936-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Creates the high-occupancy vehicle lane enforcement and education account in the custody of the state treasurer. The receipts from the additional penalty on high-occupancy vehicle lane violations as distributed under RCW 46.63.110(9) must be deposited into the account. Expenditures from the account may only be used for high-occupancy vehicle lane enforcement and education activities. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.

Provides that, in addition to any other penalties imposed under this act, a person found to have committed an infraction related to high-occupancy vehicle lane restrictions must be assessed an additional penalty of one hundred dollars. The court may not reduce, waive, or suspend the additional penalty under any circumstances.

Requires the additional penalty to be distributed as follows:
(1) Fifty dollars of the additional penalty shall be forwarded to the state treasurer for deposit in the high-occupancy vehicle lane enforcement and education account created in this act.

(2) Fifty dollars of the additional penalty shall be forwarded to the state treasurer for deposit in the motor vehicle account.