FINAL BILL REPORT ESB 5110

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Including four public port districts on the executive board of regional transportation planning organizations.

Sponsors: Senators Rockefeller and Oke.

Senate Committee on Transportation House Committee on Transportation

Background: Under current law, regional transportation planning organizations (RTPOs) are voluntary associations of local governments established for transportation planning purposes. In order to qualify for state planning funds, an RTPO containing a county with a population greater than one million must provide voting membership on its executive board to the state Transportation Commission, the state Department of Transportation, and the three largest port districts within the region. Additionally, the RTPO must assure that at least 50 percent of the local elected officials serving on its executive board also serve on transit agency boards or on a regional transit authority.

Summary: In order to qualify for state planning funds, an RTPO containing a county with a population greater than one million must provide voting membership on its executive board to the fourth largest port district within the region, in addition to the other representatives required under existing law.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 47 2

House 95 0 (House amended) Senate 34 8 (Senate concurred)

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