

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 6094

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Ways & Means, March 30, 2005

**Title:** An act relating to the capital budget.

**Brief Description:** Making appropriations and authorizing expenditures for capital improvements.

**Sponsors:** Senators Fraser and Hewitt; by request of Governor Gregoire.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Ways & Means: 3/28/05, 3/30/05 [DPS, DNP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

**Majority Report:** That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6094 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Prentice, Chair; Doumit, Vice Chair; Fraser, Vice Chair; Zarelli, Ranking Minority Member; Brandland, Fairley, Hewitt, Kohl-Welles, Parlette, Pridemore, Regala, Roach, Rockefeller and Thibaudeau.

**Minority Report:** Do not pass.

Signed by Senators Pflug and Schoesler.

**Staff:** Brian Sims (786-7431)

**Background:** The programs and agencies of state government are funded on a two-year basis, with each fiscal biennium beginning on July 1 of odd-numbered years. The capital budget generally includes appropriations for the acquisition, construction, and repair of capital assets such as land, buildings, and other infrastructure improvements. Funding for the capital budget is primarily from state general obligation bonds, with other funding derived from various dedicated taxes, fees, and state trust land timber revenues.

**Summary of Substitute Bill:** The omnibus 2005-07 capital budget authorizes new capital projects for state agencies and institutions of higher education. For additional information see the *Capital Budget Summary* published by the Senate Ways & Means Committee.

**Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:** The substitute: finances a new 1,300 bed prison within the constitutional debt limit; enhances funding for K-12 construction by 15 percent; increases funding for toxic waste site clean up; and makes other changes.

**Appropriation:** Yes.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.