

# HOUSE BILL REPORT

## ESHB 2765

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**As Passed House:**  
February 25, 2008

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

**Brief Description:** Making 2008 supplemental capital appropriations.

**Sponsors:** By House Committee on Capital Budget (originally sponsored by Representative Fromhold; by request of Office of Financial Management).

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:**

Capital Budget: 1/29/08, 2/21/08, 2/22/08 [DPS].

**Floor Activity:**

Passed House: 2/25/08, 92-3.

**Brief Summary of Engrossed Substitute Bill**

- Makes supplemental capital appropriations for the 2007-09 biennium of \$110.5 million, including all appropriation increases and decreases.

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### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL BUDGET

**Majority Report:** The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 21 members: Representatives Fromhold, Chair; Ormsby, Vice Chair; Schual-Berke, Vice Chair; McDonald, Ranking Minority Member; Newhouse, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Appleton, Blake, Chase, Dunshee, Eickmeyer, Flannigan, Hankins, Hasegawa, Kelley, McCune, Pearson, Pedersen, Sells, Skinner, Smith and Upthegrove.

**Minority Report:** Without recommendation. Signed by 1 member: Representative Orcutt.

**Staff:** Susan Howson (786-7142).

**Background:**

Washington operates on a biennial budget cycle. The Legislature authorizes expenditures for capital needs in the Capital Budget for a two-year period, and authorizes bond sales through passage of a bond bill associated with the Capital Budget to fund a portion of these

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expenditures. The current Capital Budget covers the period from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009.

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**Summary of Engrossed Substitute Bill:**

Supplemental appropriations are made for the 2007-09 biennium of \$110.5 million. (See budget highlights.) State bond appropriations of \$6.6 million for vocational skills centers requires the passage of a bond authorization bill.

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**Appropriation:** The sum of \$110.5 million in appropriations for the 2007-09 biennium from various fund sources.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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

**Persons Testifying on the Original Bill:** (In support) Kenneth Jones and Kathy Clayton, City of Tenino; Bill Keim and John Bancroft, Washington State Association of Educational Service Districts; Bill Robinson, The Nature Conservancy; Deb Rosenthal, McClure Parent/Teacher Association; Charlie Brown, Bethel School District; Mary Sue Wilson and Faith Trimble, Capital Campus Childcare Center; Sherry Burkey, Western Washington University; Jim King, Citizens for Parks and Recreation; and Nick Federici, Washington Low-Income Housing Alliance.

(Opposed) None.

**Persons Testifying on the Proposed Substitute Bill:** (In support) George Scarola, League of Education Voters; Gordon Walgren, Port of Bremerton; Vicky Austin, Northwest Kidney Centers; Seth Dawson, Washington Coalition for the Homeless; Kenneth Jones, City of Tenino; Tom Henderson, State Board of Community and Technical Colleges; Mike Wark, University of Washington Tacoma; Bill Clarke, Trust for Public Land; Tom Siegel, Bethel School District; Nick Federici, Washington Low-Income Housing Alliance; Livia Lam, Service Employees International Union; Tom Luce, Executive Council for Greater Tacoma; Rebecca Scholl, Ready by Five; and Julie Suchanek, The Evergreen State College.

(Concerns) Sharon Wylie, Kitsap, Jefferson, and Clark counties; and Terri Jeffries, Washington Realtors.

(Opposed) Tim Botkin, Kitsap SEED; and John Christison, Washington State Convention and Trade Center.

**Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying:** None.