

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5085

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Transportation, January 18, 2007
Ways & Means, March 5, 2007

Title: An act relating to increasing the proportionate share of earnings from surplus balance investments that are deposited in transportation-related accounts.

Brief Description: Providing that transportation accounts receive one hundred percent of their proportionate share of earnings.

Sponsors: Senators Haugen, Swecker and Murray.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 1/16/07, 1/18/07 [DPS-WM].
Ways & Means: 3/02/07, 3/05/07 [DPS(TRAN)].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5085 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass and be referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Benton, Berkey, Clements, Delvin, Eide, Holmquist, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, Pflug, Sheldon and Spanel.

Staff: David Ward (786-7341)

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 5085 as recommended by Committee on Transportation be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Prentice, Chair; Fraser, Vice Chair, Capital Budget Chair; Pridemore, Vice Chair, Operating Budget; Zarelli, Ranking Minority Member; Brandland, Carrell, Fairley, Hatfield, Hewitt, Hobbs, Honeyford, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Oemig, Parlette, Rasmussen, Regala, Roach, Rockefeller, Schoesler and Tom.

Staff: Steve Jones (786-7440)

Background: Accounts established in the State Treasury earn interest income based on the average daily balance of the account. Some accounts retain one hundred percent of the interest income they generate and are subject to the State Treasurer's service fee. The State

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Treasurer's service fee is established by the State Treasurer and allocated uniformly across all subject accounts. Revenue generated by the State Treasurer's service fee funds the operation and administration of the State Treasurer's office. Historically, revenue generated by the State Treasurer's service fee in excess of the amounts necessary to fund the State Treasury's operating costs have been transferred to the General Fund. Certain other accounts retain eighty percent of the interest income they generate with the remaining twenty percent being credited to the state General Fund.

Summary of Bill: The bill as referred to committee not considered.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDED SUBSTITUTE AS PASSED COMMITTEE (Transportation): Transportation accounts that currently retain only eighty percent of the interest income they generate will instead retain one hundred percent of the interest income they generate and be subject to the State Treasurer's service fee.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: None.

Persons Testifying: No one.