

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 5695

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As Reported by Senate Committee On:  
Transportation, February 18, 2009

**Title:** An act relating to the authority of the Washington state patrol to accept donations.

**Brief Description:** Authorizing the Washington state patrol to accept donations.

**Sponsors:** Senators Oemig, Swecker, Ranker, Tom, Shin and Haugen; by request of Washington State Patrol.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Transportation: 2/17/09, 2/18/09 [DP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Becker, Berkey, Delvin, Eide, Jarrett, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, King and Ranker.

**Staff:** Dory Nicpon (786-7321)

**Background:** The Washington State Patrol (WSP) occasionally receives donations, including donated equipment. Current law permits WSP to accept donations for fire training activities, but does not address whether WSP is authorized to accept other donations.

**Summary of Bill:** WSP may accept donations of money or property for the purpose of fulfilling its mission.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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

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

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**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:** PRO: This bill will clarify that WSP may accept donations to further its mission.

**Persons Testifying:** PRO: Captain Jeff DeVere, WSP.