# Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

BILL ANALYSIS

## **Transportation Committee**

### **ESB 5061**

**Brief Description**: Reconciling changes made to vehicle and vessel registration and title provisions during the 2010 legislative sessions.

**Sponsors**: Senators Swecker, Haugen, King and Shin.

#### **Brief Summary of Engrossed Bill**

• Realigns and makes technical corrections to vehicle and vessel statutes to complete the vehicle and vessel statutes streamline project, which will be enacted on July 1, 2011.

Hearing Date: 2/23/11

**Staff**: Jerry Long (786-7306).

#### Background:

The 2007-2009 Biennial Transportation Budget directed the Department of Licensing (DOL) to submit to the Legislature draft legislation that streamlines vehicle and vessel title and registration statutes to specifically address apparent conflicts, fee distribution, and other relevant issues that are revenue neutral, and which do not change legislative policy.

Senate Bill 6379 (SB 6379) was submitted by the DOL in 2009, reviewed by legislative staff and various stakeholders, and enacted during the 2010 regular legislative session. The enacted 2010 legislation had a delayed effective date of July 1, 2011, in order for the Legislature to consider a reconciliation bill during the 2011 session correcting any technical drafting problems identified over the 2010 legislative interim.

The Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) was directed in the 2010 Supplemental Transportation Budget to work with the DOL, the Code Reviser's Office, legislative staff, and stakeholders to evaluate the implementation of SB 6379 and provide corrective legislation if needed. Senate Bill 5061 is the recommended draft legislation accompanying the JTC evaluation.

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#### **Summary of Bill**:

Various technical corrections to certain vehicle and vessel registration statutes are made as a result of: (1) oversight or error in drafting SB 6379 from the 2010 legislative session, (2) bills passed during the 2010 legislative session that affected these sections, or (3) internal reference corrections mostly due to the recodification from SB 6379.

**Appropriation**: None.

**Fiscal Note**: Not requested.

**Effective Date**: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect on July 1, 2011, except for section 126 which takes effect June 30, 2012.