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By Senator Cleveland

NOT ADOPTED 3/2/2015

1 On page 2, after line 5 of the amendment, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 201. FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION**  
3 **COMMISSION**

4 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$250,000

5 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
6 conditions and limitations: The legislature finds that replacement of  
7 the Interstate 5 bridge between Vancouver, Washington and Portland,  
8 Oregon is of paramount importance to the safety of our citizens and  
9 the economic vitality of the state. It is incumbent upon the  
10 legislature, together with all of the stakeholders, to continue to  
11 explore a path forward for replacing this critical  
12 infrastructure. Therefore, the entire appropriation in this section  
13 is provided solely for the commission to initiate a collaborative  
14 process to reach agreement on the replacement of the Interstate 5  
15 bridge crossing the Columbia river. Working with local and state  
16 government officials representing districts whose residents regularly  
17 use the bridge in both Oregon and Washington, and other appropriate  
18 stakeholders, the commission must retain a recognized neutral third  
19 party to lead and facilitate a collaborative planning effort for the  
20 purpose of reaching consensus on a process for moving forward with  
21 the replacement of the Interstate 5 bridge. The neutral third party  
22 retained by the commission must be a recognized and experienced  
23 leader in successful alternative dispute resolution and collaborative  
24 decision making related to public policy decisions in the Pacific  
25 Northwest."

26 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any  
27 internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: Provides \$250,000 for the transportation commission to  
retain a neutral third party to facilitate a collaborative planning  
effort between government officials and other appropriate

stakeholders in both Washington and Oregon to replace the Interstate 5 bridge across the Columbia river.

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