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## Transportation Committee

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### HB 2973

**Brief Description:** Concerning performance oversight of the state transportation system.

**Sponsors:** Representative Orcutt.

#### Brief Summary of Bill

- Requires the Office of Financial Management (OFM), in consultation with the Washington State Transportation Commission (WSTC), to establish objectives and performance measures for the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and other state transportation agencies.
- Requires annual state ferry system performance reports to first be prepared by the OFM and then reviewed by the WSTC and the Joint Transportation Committee, prior to submittal to the Legislature and the Governor.
- Removes the requirement for the OFM to submit biennial transportation progress attainment reports.

**Hearing Date:** 2/8/16

**Staff:** David Munnecke (786-7315).

#### Background:

Between 2007 and 2015, the Office of Financial Management (OFM) was required to establish objectives and performance measures for the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and other state transportation agencies to ensure the transportation system was progressing toward the attainment of the statutory transportation policy goals. In 2015 legislation was enacted requiring the WSDOT, rather than the OFM, to establish the objectives and performance measures.

Between 2011 and 2015, the OFM was required to complete an annual performance report of the state ferry system. In 2015 legislation was enacted requiring the WSDOT, rather than the OFM, to complete the report.

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The OFM must submit to the Legislature and the Governor a biennial attainment report measuring the degree to which state transportation programs have progressed toward the attainment of the statutory transportation policy goals.

**Summary of Bill:**

The OFM, in consultation with the Washington State Transportation Commission (WSTC), must establish objectives and performance measures for the WSDOT and other state transportation agencies. The OFM must then submit the objectives and performance measures to the Legislature and the WSTC every biennium.

Annual state ferry system performance reports must first be prepared by the OFM and then reviewed by the WSTC and the Joint Transportation Committee, prior to submittal to the Legislature and the Governor.

The requirement for the OFM to submit biennial transportation progress attainment reports is eliminated.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Requested on February 5, 2016.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.