

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6201

As of February 26, 2016

Title: An act relating to the capital budget.

Brief Description: Concerning the supplemental capital budget.

Sponsors: Senators Honeyford and Keiser; by request of Office of Financial Management.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 1/14/16, 2/24/16.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Staff: Richard Ramsey (786-7412)

Background: Washington State operates on a biennial budget cycle. The Legislature authorizes expenditures for capital needs in the capital budget for a two-year period, and authorizes bond sales through passage of a bond bill associated with the capital budget to fund a portion of these expenditures. Approximately one-half of the capital budget is financed by these state-issued general obligation bonds, and the balance is funded by dedicated accounts, trust revenue, and federal funding sources. The primary two-year budget is passed in the odd-numbered years, and a supplemental budget making adjustments to the two-year budget often is passed during the even-numbered years. The current capital budget covers the period from July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2017.

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

Summary of Bill (Proposed First Substitute): Supplemental capital budget appropriation adjustments and alternative financing authorizations are made for the 2015-17 biennium.

Appropriation: Various.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.

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Staff Summary of Public Testimony: Please refer to the February 24, 2016 recording of the public hearing.

Persons Testifying: PRO: James McMahan, WA Assoc Sheriffs and Police Chiefs; Mitch Denning, Alliance of Educational Associations; Ken Kanikeberg, Office Superintendent of Public Instruction; Joanna Grist, Puget Sound Clean Air Agency; Gerry O'Keefe, Washington Public Ports Association; Lisa Thatcher, Port of Tacoma; Jim Hedrick, Port of Everett; Seth Dawson, National Alliance of Mental Illness; Mike True, Fort Vancouver Historic Trust; Jean Hernandez, Edmonds Community College; Marty Mattes, Bates Technical College, Executive Director of Facilities and Operations; Robert Pasquariello, Olympic College.

OTHER: Hillary Madsen, Columbia Legal Services; Doug Levy, Cities of Everett, Renton, Redmond, Puyallup, Fife, Issaquah; Michael Transue, Washington State Conference of Mason Contractors | Masonry Institute of Washington; Gary Smith, Independent Business Association; Carl Schroeder, Association of Washington; Michele Thomas, Washington Low Income Housing Alliance; J Peter Shapiro, Washington Housing Action Fund board member; Chris Pegg, Longview Housing Authority and Joint Pacific County Housing Authority; Liz Mills, YWCA Seattle, King and Snohomish; Bryan Ketcham, Catholic Charities Housing Services; Jeff Clare, Washington Association for Children and Families; Sarah Perry, Cornish College of the Arts.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: OTHER: Melissa Johnson, Washington State Association of Headstart/ECEAP Programs.