

ESB 5096 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-2628.2/17) 486  
By Representative Young

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1 On page 9, after line 30, insert the following:  
2 "The legislature finds that there is a need for long-term toll  
3 payer relief from increasing toll rates on the Tacoma Narrows bridge.  
4 Therefore, the commission must convene a work group to review,  
5 update, add to as necessary, and comment on various scenarios for  
6 toll payer relief outlined in the 2014 joint transportation committee  
7 report on internal refinance opportunities for the Tacoma Narrows  
8 bridge. The work group must include participation from the Tacoma  
9 Narrows bridge citizen's advisory group, at least one member from  
10 each of the legislative delegations from the districts immediately  
11 abutting the Tacoma Narrows bridge, the local chambers of commerce,  
12 and affected local communities. Legislative members of the work group  
13 must be reimbursed for travel expenses by the commission. The work  
14 group must submit a report with its preferred and prioritized policy  
15 solutions to the transportation committees of the legislature by  
16 December 1, 2017."

EFFECT: Requires the Washington State Transportation Commission to convene a work group to review, update, add to as necessary, and comment on various scenarios for toll payer relief outlined in the 2014 Joint Transportation Committee report on internal refinancing opportunities for the Tacoma Narrows Bridge. Requires that a report be submitted to the transportation committees of the legislature by December 1, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT: No net change to appropriated levels.

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