HOUSE BILL REPORT ESSB 6032

As Passed House:

March 8, 2018

Title: An act relating to fiscal matters.

Brief Description: Making 2018 supplemental operating appropriations.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rolfes and

Braun; by request of Office of Financial Management).

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

None.

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 3/8/18, 54-44.

Brief Summary of Engrossed Substitute Bill

• Makes supplemental changes to the operating budget for the 2017-19 biennium.

Staff: Charlie Gavigan (786-7340).

Background:

The state government operates on a fiscal biennium that begins on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. A two-year biennial operating budget is adopted every odd-numbered year. Supplemental budgets frequently are enacted in each of the following two years after adoption of the biennial budget. Appropriations are made in the biennial and supplemental budgets for the operation of state government and its various agencies and institutions, including higher education, as well as allocations for the funding of K-12 public schools.

The 2017-19 Biennial Operating Budget appropriates \$43.7 billion from the State Near General Fund (State General Fund and the Education Legacy Trust Account) plus the Opportunity Pathways Account. The total budgeted amount, which includes state, federal, and other funds, is \$88.3 billion.

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Summary of Bill:

State Near General Fund plus Opportunity Pathways appropriations for the 2017-19 biennium are increased by \$941 million; the total budget is increased by \$755.7 million.

Other changes to the original 2017-19 biennial budget are also made.

See legislative proposals at http://leap.leg.wa.gov/ for more information.

Appropriation: The bill contains multiple appropriations. Please refer to the bill and supporting documents

Fiscal Note: Requested on March 6, 2018.

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

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