

ESSB 5689 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-2872.2/22) 1208

By Representative Orcutt

ADOPTED 02/26/2022

1 On page 53, after line 11 of the striking amendment, insert the
2 following:

3 "(4) The department shall promote safety messages encouraging
4 drivers to slow down and move over and pay attention when emergency
5 lights are flashing on the side of the road and other suitable
6 safety messages on electronic message boards the department operates
7 across the state. The messages must be promoted multiple times each
8 month through June 30, 2023. The department may coordinate such
9 messaging with any statewide public awareness campaigns being
10 developed by the department of licensing or the Washington state
11 traffic safety commission or both."

EFFECT: Requires the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to promote safety messages on electronic message boards to encourage drivers to slow down and move over and pay attention when lights are flashing on the side of the road. Allows the WSDOT to coordinate messaging efforts with the Department of Licensing, the Washington Traffic Safety Commission, or both.

FISCAL IMPACT: No net change to appropriated levels.

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