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Representative Jake Fey, Chair
House Transportation Committee
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RE: Reporting on the transfer of WSDOT projects to local jurisdictions

Dear Director Schumacher, Senator Liias and Representative Fey:

The 2023 Transportation Budget (ESHB 1125, Sec. 609(2)) requires the Washington State Department of Transportation to compile a list of projects wherein a local partner agency can execute delivery and completion of a project in the 2023-25 biennium if WSDOT is unable to deliver. There are no projects to report that meet the requirements put forth in this section.

Please contact me at suingt@wsdot.wa.gov if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

[Signature on File]

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Laws of 2023

Chapter 472, Section 609

NEW SECTION. Sec. 609. LOCAL PARTNER COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

- (1) If a transportation project, where the Washington state department of transportation is the lead and the project is scheduled to be delivered or completed in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium as shown on the LEAP Transportation Document 2023-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed April 21, 2023, is in jeopardy of being delayed because the department is unable to deliver or complete the project within the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium and other local jurisdictions are able to deliver or complete the work, the department must coordinate with the appropriate local jurisdictions to determine if a potential local partner is ready, willing, and able to execute delivery and completion of the project within the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.
- (2) The department must compile a list of projects under this section, including the timing under which the local partner agency can deliver or complete the projects within the 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 fiscal biennia. The department must submit the compiled list of projects to the governor and the transportation committees of the legislature by November 1, 2023.