

2010 WSDOT Bills of Interest - Planning

Bill	Title / Description / WSDOT Position	Status as of 2/19/10	Original Sponsor
2SHB 1591	<p>Trans benefit district funds - Clarifies the purposes and structures for Transportation Benefit Districts (TBDs) and allows TBDs to impose voter-approved taxes that can be used to secure bonds to pay for major capital projects.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S Transportation	Upthegrove
HB 2411	<p>Land use planning/subareas - Modifies requirements pertaining to the amendment of a comprehensive land use plan for the initial adoption of a subarea plan. A comprehensive plan amendment for the initial adoption of a subarea plan may occur more frequently than annually if the subarea plan clarifies, supplements, or implements jurisdiction-wide comprehensive plan policies.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H Rules R	Simpson
SHB 2412	<p>Fully contained communities - Substitute bill prohibits counties with a population exceeding 1.5 million persons, and bordering counties having populations greater than 240,000 persons, from authorizing the development of fully-contained communities. This prohibition includes King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Kitsap counties.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H Rules C	Nelson
ESHB 2538	<p>High-density urban development - Encourages certain cities under the Growth Management Act to include compact development in their comprehensive plans. Requires the development of a nonproject environmental impact statement for any compact development plan included in a comprehensive plan.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S GovtOp & Elect	Upthegrove
HB 2574	<p>Annexations by cities - When territory is annexed to a city or code city located within the boundary of a regional transit authority, the territory is simultaneously included within the boundaries of the authority and subject to all taxes and other liabilities and obligations applicable within the city with respect to the authority.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H Rules R	White

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HB 2691	Growth management act - Suspends the requirements of the GMA and any local GMA plans and regulations for counties with average rates of unemployment (seasonally adjusted) of seven percent or higher for three consecutive months and the cities within them. <i>Neutral</i>	H LG & Housing	DeBolt
HB 2692	Growth mgmt hearings boards - Abolishes the three current growth management hearings boards and transfers their powers, duties, and functions to a single growth management hearings board. The new board would be made up of seven members from different areas of the state and appointed by the county commissioners in each area. <i>No Position</i>	H LG & Housing	Taylor
SHB 2721	Commute trip reduction programs - Would allow two or more major employers whose employees commute to a single site or contiguous sites to submit a joint CTR program for review by the administering jurisdiction. <i>Neutral</i>	S Transportation	Upthegrove
HB 2740	Land use decision - Amends the definition of a land use decision in the Land Use Petition Act to clarify that the 21-day period for filing a petition for judicial review begins on the date a city or county enters a decision on a motion for reconsideration. <i>Neutral</i>	S GovtOp & Elect	Seaquist
HB 2755	Vehicle miles traveled - This bill repeals VMT and all state agency requirements concerning distribution of funds for infrastructure and capital development projects consistent with GHG reduction goals, statewide VMT reduction goals, and applicable federal emission reduction requirements. <i>Neutral</i>	H Trans	Roach
SHB 2884	Urban growth area expansion - Allows for the expansion of urban growth areas into the 100 year floodplain if the area is adjacent to an established urban growth area and an interstate or freeway interchange. <i>Neutral</i>	S GovtOp & Elect	Quall

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HB 2908	<p>Transportation cost-benefit - This bill amends WSDOT's transportation demand modeling practices in meeting long term mobility needs to include a life-cycle cost analysis. Factors such as congestion, environmental, health, and safety benefits from investments in each mode(s) are to be evaluated to determine its net benefit or cost.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H Trans	Lias
SHB 2911	<p>Complete streets grant program - Creates a complete streets grant program to be administered by WSDOT's Local Programs Division (but does not commit funding). Also encourages local governments to adopt urban arterial retrofit street ordinances that provide for safe access for all users including bicyclists, pedestrians, motorists and users of public transportation.</p> <p><i>Support</i></p>	H Rules C	Moeller
HB 2937	<p>Transportation system policy goals - Adds a sixth statutory policy goal for the planning, operation, performance of, and investment in the state's transportation system: economic vitality.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S Transportation	Clibborn
HB 3078	<p>Marine waters management - Augment the marine spatial component of existing plans; improve the coordination among state agencies in the development and implementation of marine management plans; establish policies for state agencies and local governments that exercise jurisdiction over proposed uses and activities in marine waters.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H Ag & Nat Res	Rolfes
SSB 5548	<p>Pub facilities & impact fees - Expands the types of developer improvements local governments must provide credits for when assessing impacts fees under the Growth Management Act.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H LG & Housing	Haugen
SB 6209	<p>Park & ride lots/road funds - Authorizes the use of money paid to any county road fund to be used for the construction, maintenance or improvement of park and ride lots.</p> <p><i>Support</i></p>	H Trans	Haugen

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SSB 6271	Annexations by cities - Addresses annexations by cities and code cities located within the boundaries of a regional transit authority. <i>Neutral</i>	H LG & Housing	Murray
SSB 6274	Trail interactions work group - Establishes a Washington state trail interactions work group to make recommendations to improve interactions of trails, the recommendations must include: trail access; accessibility of online trail-based information; signage; and trail enjoyment and safety. <i>Neutral</i>	S 2nd Reading	Jacobsen
SB 6279	Regional transit facilities - Requires that the comprehensive plan of each county and city that is planning under RCW 36.70A.040 include a process for identifying and siting regional transit authority facilities as they currently do for facilities such as airports, schools, correctional facilities, solid waste handling facilities, and in-patient facilities. <i>Neutral</i>	H LG & Housing	Kline
SSB 6350	Marine waters management - Augment the marine spatial component of existing plans; improve the coordination among state agencies in the development and implementation of marine management plans; establish policies for state agencies and local governments that exercise jurisdiction over proposed uses and activities in marine waters. <i>Neutral</i>	H Ag & Nat Res	Ranker
SSB 6362	Government accountability - Adds a new chapter to Title 43 RCW to mandate performance audits and activity assessments to be determined by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee (JLARC) and to be performed by the State Auditor's Office (SAO). <i>Neutral</i>	S 2nd Reading	Zarelli

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SSB 6366	<p>Transportation corridor project - Clarifies existing law that the department of transportation is exempt from obtaining local master use permits, conditional use permits, special use permits, or other similar zoning permits for staging areas used for highway construction projects. Adds new sections to various RCWs disallowing any party other than the department of transportation to appeal a building permit for major transportation projects that construct temporary buildings.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S 2nd Reading	Swecker
SB 6420	<p>Local transportation revenue options - The bill provides additional taxing authority to a city to cover cost overruns for a deep bored tunnel.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S Transportation	Kastama
SB 6479	<p>Growth mgmt board petitions - Revises who may file a petition before a growth management hearings board.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S GovtOp & Elect	Morton
SSB 6570	<p>Private transportation providers - Authorizes public transportation vehicles, auto transportation company vehicles, charter vehicles, private special needs vehicles, and private employer transportation vehicles to travel in: the left lane of limited access highways having three or more lanes in one direction; HOV lanes if the vehicle has the capacity to carry eight or more passengers; and transit only lanes, flyer stops, and direct access ramps, if such use does not interfere with safe operations of public transportation.</p> <p><i>Support</i></p>	H Trans	Haugen
SSB 6577	<p>Transportation policy goals - Adds economic vitality as the sixth statutory policy goal for the planning, operation, performance of, and investment in the state's transportation system.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H Trans	Kastama
ESSB 6603	<p>General aviation airports - Requires Cities and Counties to restrict incompatible land uses adjacent to general aviation airports through comprehensive plans.</p> <p><i>Support</i></p>	H LG & Housing	Marr

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SSB 6611	<p>Comprehensive land use plan - Extends the deadlines for the review and evaluation of local government comprehensive land use plans and development regulations as required by the Growth Management Act.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H LG & Housing	Pridemore
SSB 6757	<p>Projects of statewide significance - Revises provisions related to projects of statewide significance and creates a business and occupation tax credit and a public utility tax credit for investments in the projects.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S Ways & Means	Fraser
SB 6769	<p>Highway emergency projects - Amends RCW 47.20 which provides a list of miscellaneous projects and provides direction to the department on how to approach the select group of projects.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S Transportation	Stevens
SB 6770	<p>Special safety corridor account - Creates the special safety corridor account within the motor vehicle fund and require ten percent of driver license fees, collected by the Department of Licensing, be deposited into the account. Funds from this account may be used for prioritized special safety corridor projects.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S Transportation	Stevens
SB 6771	<p>Special safety corridor account - Creates the special safety corridor account within the motor vehicle fund and require three dollars of the ten dollar vehicle license plate replacement fee, collected by the Department of Licensing, be deposited into the account. Funds from this account may be used for prioritized special safety corridor projects.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	S Transportation	Stevens
ESSB 6774	<p>Transportation benefit districts - Provides for a modified composition of a transportation benefit district's governing body: A multi-jurisdiction TBD may be governed by the governing body of the metropolitan planning organization serving the district.</p> <p><i>Neutral</i></p>	H Trans	Marr