

1 AN ACT Relating to transportation spending; adding a new section
2 to chapter 47.01 RCW; creating new sections; making appropriations;
3 providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) Additive transportation funding is
6 hereby adopted and, subject to the provisions set forth, the several
7 amounts specified, or as much thereof as may be necessary to
8 accomplish the purposes designated, are hereby appropriated from the
9 several accounts and funds named to the designated state agencies and
10 offices for employee compensation and other expenses, for capital
11 projects, and for other specified purposes for the period ending June
12 30, 2023.

13 (2) The amounts provided in this act are intended as the first
14 installment in the miles ahead Washington transportation investment
15 package and shall be expended for purposes identified in LEAP
16 Transportation Document 2021-1, as developed March 31, 2021. Further,
17 it is the intent of the legislature that all amounts identified in
18 LEAP Transportation Document 2021-1, as developed March 31, 2021, be
19 provided for the identified purposes during the 16-year period
20 beginning July 1, 2021, or as soon as thereafter as may be needed to
21 fully expend the amounts.

1 (3) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the
2 definitions in this subsection apply throughout this act:

3 (a) "Lapse" means the amount shall return to unappropriated
4 status.

5 (b) "LEAP" means the legislative evaluation and accountability
6 program committee.

7 (c) "Provided solely" means the specified amount may be spent
8 only for the specified purpose. Unless otherwise specifically
9 authorized in this act, any portion of an amount provided solely for
10 a specified purpose that is not expended subject to the specified
11 conditions and limitations to fulfill the specified purpose shall
12 lapse.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2. FOR THE COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD—**
14 **CAPITAL**

15 Miles Ahead Washington Account—State
16 Appropriation \$38,800,000

17 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following
18 conditions and limitations: The entire miles ahead Washington account
19 appropriation—state is provided solely for increased preservation
20 activities.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3. FOR THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT BOARD—**
22 **CAPITAL**

23 Miles Ahead Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . . \$55,200,000

24 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following
25 conditions and limitations: The entire miles ahead Washington account
26 appropriation—state is provided solely for increased preservation
27 activities.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—**
29 **IMPROVEMENTS—PROGRAM I**

30 Miles Ahead Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . . \$65,000,000

31 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following
32 conditions and limitations:

33 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the entire
34 miles ahead Washington account appropriation—state is provided solely

1 for the Program I projects and activities listed in LEAP
2 Transportation Document 2021-2, as developed March 31, 2021.

3 (2) It is the intent of the legislature that the US 395 North
4 Spokane Corridor project (M00800R) be advanced in the 2021-2023
5 biennial transportation appropriations act to allow for earlier
6 completion and inflationary savings.

7 (3) It is the intent of the legislature that the State Route 155
8 - Omak Bridge Rehabilitation project (L2000203) be advanced in the
9 2021-2023 biennial transportation appropriations act to allow for
10 earlier completion and inflationary savings.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—**
12 **PRESERVATION—PROGRAM P**

13 Miles Ahead Washington Account—State Appropriation . . . \$575,000,000

14 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following
15 conditions and limitations: The entire miles ahead Washington account
16 appropriation—state is provided solely for increased preservation
17 activities. Within this amount, the department shall repave Jackson
18 Street under the Interstate 5 overpass in Seattle.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—**
20 **WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES CONSTRUCTION—PROGRAM W**

21 Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State Appropriation. . \$66,400,000

22 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following
23 conditions and limitations:

24 (1) \$28,500,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state
25 appropriation is provided solely for vessel electrification.

26 (2) \$37,900,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state
27 appropriation is provided solely for terminal electrification.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—**
29 **PUBLIC TRANSIT—PROGRAM V**

30 Miles Ahead Washington Account—State Appropriation . . . \$20,000,000

31 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following
32 conditions and limitations: The entire miles ahead Washington account
33 appropriation—state is provided solely for expansion of the transit
34 fare access grant program.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—LOCAL**
2 **PROGRAMS—PROGRAM Z—CAPITAL**

3 Carbon Reduction Initiatives Account—State

4 Appropriation \$73,125,000

5 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following
6 conditions and limitations:

7 (1) \$39,700,000 of the carbon reduction initiatives account—state
8 appropriation is provided solely to expand the bicycle and pedestrian
9 grant program.

10 (2) \$33,375,000 of the carbon reduction initiatives account—state
11 appropriation is provided solely for additional bicycle and
12 pedestrian projects.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** There is created in the motor vehicle fund
14 the miles ahead Washington account. All moneys deposited in the motor
15 vehicle fund to be credited to the miles ahead Washington account
16 shall be expended for projects and expenditures identified as miles
17 ahead Washington purposes in LEAP Transportation Document 2021-1, as
18 developed March 31, 2021, or in any enacted transportation
19 appropriations act. The account is subject to allotment procedures
20 under chapter 43.88 RCW, and an appropriation is required for
21 expenditures.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** The carbon emissions reduction account is
23 created in the state treasury. Moneys in the account may be spent
24 only after appropriation. Expenditures from the account are intended
25 to affect reductions in transportation-sector carbon emissions
26 through a variety of carbon-reducing investments including, but not
27 limited to: Transportation alternatives to single occupancy passenger
28 vehicles, reductions in single-occupancy passenger vehicle miles
29 traveled; incentive programs for per mile emission reductions in
30 single-occupancy passenger vehicles; and emission reduction programs
31 for freight transportation, ferries, and other maritime and port
32 activities. Expenditures from the account may only be made for
33 transportation carbon emission reducing purposes. The account is
34 subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** A new section is added to chapter 47.01
36 RCW to read as follows:

1 The connecting communities program is hereby established within
2 the department of transportation. The purpose of the program is to
3 improve active transportation connectivity in communities by
4 providing equitable, safe, continuous routes for pedestrians,
5 bicyclists, and other nonvehicle users carrying out their daily
6 activities.

7 (1) The department must select projects to propose to the
8 legislature for funding. In selecting projects, the department must
9 consider, at a minimum, the following criteria:

10 (a) Access to a transit facility, community facility or
11 commercial center;

12 (b) The use of minority and women-owned businesses in design and
13 construction of the project;

14 (c) Whether the project is in a census tract with higher than
15 state average population for:

16 (i) People of color;

17 (ii) People of Hispanic heritage;

18 (iii) Household incomes at or below 200% of federal poverty
19 level; and

20 (iv) People with disabilities.

21 (d) Environmental health disparities, such as those indicated by
22 the diesel pollution burden portion of the Washington environmental
23 health disparities map developed by the department of health, or
24 other similar indicators;

25 (e) Location on or adjacent to an Indian reservation;

26 (f) Accident experience involving pedestrians and bicyclists; and

27 (g) Identified need in the state active transportation plan or a
28 regional, county, or community plan.

29 (2) The department shall submit a report to the transportation
30 committees of the legislature by December 1, 2021, and each December
31 1st thereafter identifying the selected connecting communities
32 projects for funding by the legislature. The report must also include
33 the status of previously funded projects.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** This act is necessary for the immediate
35 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
36 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
37 effect July 1, 2021.

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