Resources Bill SB 5801 (S-2391.3) Summary

Direct Revenue Related Provisions

(Dollars in Millions) Updated March 21, 2025

Section(s)	Effective Date	Provision & Summary	Last Increased	Fund Deposited	Estimated 6 Year Revenue Impact
101 -102	July 1, 2025	Fuel Tax Increase + Indexing - 6 cent increase to the current 49.4 cent rate in FY 2026 and then the entire higher rate indexed by 2% inflation starting in FY 2027.	2016	Move Ahead (MVF)	\$1,507
103-104	Oct 1, 2025	Electric Vehicle Fees - (1) Increase the three electric vehicle and alternative vehicle fees imposed on fully battery electric vehicles and certain plug-in hybrids which are currently \$225 to \$275; (2) increase the other hybrid fee from \$75 to \$100 in FY 2026; (3) apply these fees to initial registrations of these types of vehicles in FY 2026 (currently fees are only paid at renewal); and (4) then increase all these fees by 2% inflation starting in FY 2027.	2019 (2022 for Motorcycles)	Move Ahead (MVF)	\$452
105, 107	Jan 1, 2026	Title and Registration Service Fees - Increase the \$15 title fee to \$18 and the \$8 registration service fee to \$11. The majority of the funds (\$160 million) from these fee increases will be retained by subagents, but \$41 million would be deposited into the Capital Vessel Replacement Account over the 6-year time period.	2019	Capital Vessel Replacement Account	\$41
106, 107	Jan 1, 2026	Filing Fees - Increase the \$4.50 registration filing fee to \$6 and the \$5.50 title filing fee to \$6.50. The majority of the funds (\$89 million) from these fee increases will be retained by counties, but \$5 million would be deposited in the Highway Safety Account.	2019	Highway Safety Account	\$5
201 (2)	Jan 1, 2026	Rental Car Tax & Peer to Peer Car Sharing - (1) the 5.9% additional rental car tax increased to 11.9% on January 1, 2026 and then adjusted down to 9.9% on January 1, 2027 and thereafter; and (2) applies these rates to peer-to-peer car sharing transactions (which are currently not subject to the additional rental car tax).	1993	Move Ahead Flexible	\$214
201 (4), 202, 203	Jan 1, 2026	Luxury Vehicle Tax - Imposes a luxury tax on vehicles of 10% on the portion of the selling price on the value that exceeds \$100,000. Vehicles are defined as any motor vehicle designed for carrying ten or fewer passengers, including cars, light trucks, limousines, motorcycles, motor homes, passenger vans, and sport utility vehicles that are not used exclusively for a business purpose.	New	Move Ahead Flexible	\$279
204 -208	Jan 1, 2026	E-Bike Surcharge - Imposes a 10% surcharge on the purchase of e-bikes.	New	Move Ahead Flexible	\$9
209 -211	Jan 1, 2026 (except for section 211 immediately)	Tire Disposal Fee - \$4 increase to the existing \$1 tire replacement fee and amount retained by the retailer is increased to 25 cents. Distribution of the tire fee proceeds are changed.	1989	Move Ahead Flexible	\$117
212-216	Jan 1, 2026	Large Event Transportation Assessment - Impose a \$1 per attendee state assessment on the operators of venues for large events with a threshold of more than 20,000 attendees. Some of the venues likely subject to this fee would include T-Mobile Park, Lumen Field, the Tacoma Dome, the Gorge Amphitheatre, and some collegiate athletic facilities. State and local fairs are exempted from this assessment.	New	Move Ahead Flexible	\$34
301 -304	Oct 1, 2025	Standard Driver's License and Identicards - \$72 fee (\$9 per year) increased to \$80 (\$10 per year) for 8-year license in FY 2026 and then adjusted by 2% inflation in FY 2027.	2013	Move Ahead Flexible	\$76

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305	Jan 1, 2026	WSDOT Work Zone Violations - WSDOT is beginning implementation of a speed safety camera in work zone pilot program that ends in FY 2030 (unless extended). Current policy provides a \$0 fine for the 1st offense. Revenue amounts depicted assume implementation of \$125 fine for 1st offenses beginning January 1, 2026 through the pilot termination.	New	Highway Safety Account	\$170
306	90 Days	Traffic Infraction - Imposes a new \$10 assessment on traffic infractions beginning January 1, 2026.	New	Highway Safety Account	\$22
307	Immediately	Impose Credit Card Surcharge on Riders - Impose a rider surcharge to cover credit card transaction costs currently paid by Washington State Ferries.	2025	Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account	\$29
308-310, 401, 404	Immediately	Transit Related Adjustments - This includes the following two transit related options combined: (1) \$27M from imposing a vehicle registration fee and/or grant reduction offset on public transit operators; and (2) \$6M from imposing tolls on public and private transit buses, vans, and rideshare vehicles.	New	Move Ahead Flexible & Toll Funds	\$33
Budget Bill	N/A	Additional Ferry Fare Increase (Beyond 2.5% Baseline Scenario) - Increase ferry fares by an additional 1.5% per year (beyond 2.5% baseline). The additional 1.5% increment is the amount depicted.	2025	Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account	\$54
Total Revenue Raised Over 6 Years				\$3,040	

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Other Resource Related Provisions

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306 & 725	90 days	Expired Vehicle Registrations/Tabs Enforcement - Authorizes law enforcement to issue notices of infraction for vehicles parked and unoccupied in the public right-of-way with expired registrations/tabs, with a penalty amount of \$150.	
401 - 403	90 days	Extending TNB Tolls - Extends Tacoma Narrows Bridge tolls beyond final debt and sales tax payments to cover operations and maintenance costs. Allows tolls to be used for maintenance on the old Tacoma Narrows Bridge after final debt and sales tax payments are made.	
405	90 days	SR 520 Segment Tolling Authorization - Authorizes the imposition of tolls on the entire SR 520 corridor, instead of just the floating bridge, including on-ramps and off-ramps.	
501	90 days	Exempting Transit Agencies from Shorelines Permits - Exempts transit agencies from the requirement to obtain certain shorelines-related permits when conducting work within WSDOT right-of-way (similar to WSDOT exemptions).	
501 - 503	90 days	WSDOT Project Streamlining - (1) Removes the project notification requirement regarding shorelines-related projects. (2) streamlines compliance with national flood insurance program regulation requirements applicable to fish habitat enhancement projects. and (3) includes asbestos inspections in the scope of construction contracts in lieu of conducting inspections prior to bids.	

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504 - 505	90 days	Fish Barrier Removal Permit Program - Creates an optional expedited permit review and approval process for WSDOT fish barrier removal projects, including an exemption from SEPA requirements.	
506 - 507	90 days	High Capacity Transportation as an Essential Public Facility - Includes high capacity transportation system improvements as essential public facilities under the GMA - prohibits local governments from precluding the siting of the facilities.	
508	90 days	Transit Agency SEPA & NEPA Documents - Provides that transit agency SEPA & NEPA documents regarding transit projects serve as the sole environmental review documents rather than local governments conducting separate environmental reviews.	
601 - 609	July 1, 2025	County Local Road Grant Program - Establishes a new county local road grant program to be administered by the County Road Administration Board (CRAB) to provide funds for projects not currently eligible for other CRAB funding.	
610	July 1, 2025	Transit Safety & Security Grant Program - Establishes a grant program for safety and security improvements for transit agencies.	
611	90 days	Codifying Transfers to the Sandy Williams Connecting Communities Program - Creates the Sandy Williams connecting communities program account and requires quarterly transfers totaling \$12.5M annually from the move ahead WA flex account.	
612	July 1, 2025	Codifying Bike/Ped/Senior Transportation Emphasis Program (STEP) - Requires at least 25% of grant awards from the bicyclist and pedestrian grant program benefit communities of people over 65 years old.	
613	90 days	School-based Bicycle Education Grant Program - Makes various programmatic revisions based on current implementation.	
614	90 days	LINK Cycling Infrastructure Grant Program - Creates a new grant program at WSDOT linking population centers with active transportation connectivity infrastructure.	
701 - 704	701 Immediately, 702-704 7/1/25	Transportation Commission Restructure - Reduces the membership from 7 to 5, and removes the following functions: (1) statewide planning, (2) proposing policies regarding a statewide transportation system, (3) providing a public forum for transportation policy development, and (4) the establishment of state transportation agency objectives & performance measures.	
705 - 711	6/30/2025 (except 707 7/1/28)	CCA Accounts Repeal - Repeals the climate active transportation account and the climate transit programs account.	
712	90 days	Exempting WSDOT from Fencing Requirement Along PCC - Exempts WSDOT from general requirement to install fencing along rail ROW.	
713	90 days	Local Automated Traffic Safety Cameras – Technical Fix - Makes an internal reference correction to ensure that transit authorities using bus-mounted traffic safety cameras to detect bus stop zone violations provide the appropriate local jurisdiction images or evidence collected for infraction processing purposes.	
714 - 715	July 1, 2025	ZEVIP and ZAP Funding - Removes the respective biennial expirations for funding WSDOT's zero emissions vehicle infrastructure partnerships and zero emissions access programs.	
716 - 717	90 days	Ferry Procurement Revisions - Modifies ferry procurement to allow for additional vessels and amends vessel vehicle capacity.	

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718	90 days	Adding Diversity Updates to the Board of Pilotage Annual Report - Amends annual reporting requirements of the board of pilotage commissioners to include updates on efforts to increase diversity.
719 - 720	90 days	License Plate Shortages - Directs the DOL to adopt rules establishing extensions of the expiration date for DOL temporary license plates in cases of shortages of permanent license plates, and specifies the actions that DOL and DOC must take when there is a projected license plate shortage statewide or in particular locations.
721	90 days	Ferry Fare Surcharge Technical Changes - Removes outdated references to 144-car ferries and directs both 25c surcharges into the capital vessel replacement account.
722	90 days	Aeronautics Account Technical Change - Clarifies expenditure purposes as aviation-related purposes only, and that expenditures require an appropriation.
723	July 1, 2025	WSF Biodiesel Fuel - Mandates B5 diesel fuel for WSF vessels & requires WSF to develop internal processes to transition diesel vessels in the fleet to the highest possible bio fuel blend or renewable diesel by 2030
724	90 days	Complete Streets Revision - Increases the dollar threshold for projects requiring complete streets designs from \$500 thousand to \$1 million, starting August 1, 2025.