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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2306**

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**State of Washington**

**69th Legislature**

**2026 Regular Session**

**By** House Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Fey, Wylie, and Donaghy; by request of Office of Financial Management)

READ FIRST TIME 02/25/26.

1 AN ACT Relating to transportation funding and appropriations;  
2 amending RCW 36.78.130, 46.68.396, and 46.68.520; amending 2025 c 416  
3 ss 105, 109, 110, 117, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209,  
4 210, 211, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224,  
5 302, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405,  
6 406, 407, 601, 606, 609, and 701 (uncodified); creating a new  
7 section; making appropriations and authorizing expenditures for  
8 capital improvements; and declaring an emergency.

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

10 **2025-2027 FISCAL BIENNIUM**

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that this budget  
12 proposal reflects the ongoing challenges budget writers encounter in  
13 addressing the State of Washington's transportation system needs.  
14 Factors like ballooning project costs, bridge failures, and roads in  
15 disrepair put considerable pressure on transportation revenues that,  
16 despite recent tax increases, continue to trend downward. Resources  
17 attributed to the Climate Commitment Act are also expected to wane  
18 over time.

19 As the legislature awaits the results of mediation between the  
20 Attorney General's Office and Tribes in Washington State to implement

1 the next phase of culvert restoration, the budget writers have  
2 determined that now is not the time for further bond authorizations,  
3 which may limit the ability of the legislature to address foreseen  
4 and not yet foreseen transportation needs.

5 Recognizing the necessity to invest more in the state's aging  
6 infrastructure, this budget proposal increases preservation and  
7 maintenance spending this biennium and provides an additional \$500  
8 million in the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium, demonstrating the  
9 legislative commitment to prioritizing preservation and maintenance  
10 now and in the future.

11 With respect to the state's ferry system, this budget proposal  
12 commits to ongoing efforts to construct new vessels and maintain  
13 existing levels of service. In lieu of funding three additional  
14 ferries in this budget, the budget writers propose a process through  
15 which the Joint Transportation Committee will make recommendations to  
16 address our ferry system needs, including options to fund those  
17 recommendations in the context of all the state's transportation  
18 system needs.

(End of part)

1 **GENERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES—OPERATING**

2 **Sec. 101.** 2025 c 416 s 105 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

5 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$1,530,000)~~)  
6 \$1,551,000

7 **Sec. 102.** 2025 c 416 s 109 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
8 follows:

9 **FOR THE BOARD OF PILOTAGE COMMISSIONERS**

10 Pilotage Account—State Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$3,335,000)~~)  
11 \$3,706,000

12 **Sec. 103.** 2025 c 416 s 110 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
13 follows:

14 **FOR THE ECONOMIC AND REVENUE FORECAST COUNCIL**

15 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$987,000)~~)  
16 \$1,012,000

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 104. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

18 Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State  
19 Appropriation. . . . . \$2,000,000

20 **Sec. 105.** 2025 c 416 s 117 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
21 follows:

22 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

23 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$2,460,000

24 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
25 conditions and limitations: \$2,460,000 of the motor vehicle account—  
26 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
27 417, Laws of 2025 (transportation resources). (~~If chapter . . . . .~~  
28 ~~(Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5801), Laws of 2025 is not~~  
29 ~~enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this section~~  
30 ~~lapses.))~~

(End of part)

**TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES—OPERATING**

**Sec. 201.** 2025 c 416 s 201 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

**FOR THE WASHINGTON TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION**

Highway Safety Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$9,794,000</del> ))
	<u>\$9,847,000</u>
Highway Safety Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$39,998,000</del> ))
	<u>\$50,001,000</u>
Highway Safety Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$60,000
Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Account—	
State Appropriation. . . . .	\$400,000
School Zone Safety Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$850,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$51,102,000</del> ))
	<u>\$61,158,000</u>

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

(1) \$600,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation is provided solely for the commission to purchase telematics data from a qualified vendor that provides anonymized information on vehicle speeds and driver behaviors, such as hard braking, on a statewide basis and in selected geographical areas based upon demographic characteristics and crash history. The commission must provide an annual report summarizing findings from the telematics data to the transportation committees of the legislature beginning by June 30, 2025, and until June 30, 2027.

(2) \$1,500,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation is provided solely for a pilot program for dedicated probation or compliance officers at the local level to improve compliance with ignition interlock device installation requirements associated with impaired driving offenses. The commission must select locations based on an assessment of ignition interlock device compliance rates, and the willingness and ability to have staff dedicated to this activity. The commission must provide to the transportation committees of the legislature a preliminary status report on the specific locations selected and any outcome information by December 1, 2025, with a final report due by June 30, 2027.

(3) \$2,000,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation is provided solely to implement a multifaceted approach to supplement

1 existing funding targeted at impaired driving and other enforcement.  
2 The areas of emphasis expected to be funded include additional high  
3 visibility enforcement and indigenous knowledge-informed tribal  
4 traffic safety support. Funding is also provided for the commission  
5 to administer and provide oversight of these activities. The  
6 commission must provide a preliminary report to the transportation  
7 committees of the legislature and the office of financial management  
8 on these funded activities and any outcome information by December 1,  
9 2025, with a final report due by December 1, 2026.

10 (4) \$350,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation is  
11 provided solely to complete an annual report on impacts of the  
12 automated traffic safety cameras used in the state as required in RCW  
13 46.63.220(6)(b)(ii), beginning July 1, 2026.

14 **Sec. 202.** 2025 c 416 s 202 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
15 follows:

16 **FOR THE COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD**

17 Rural Arterial Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$4,059,000</del> ))
	<u>\$4,058,000</u>
19 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$3,532,000</del> ))
20	<u>\$3,567,000</u>
21 County Arterial Preservation Account—State	
22 Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$4,549,000</del> ))
23	<u>\$4,548,000</u>
24 <u>County Road Administration Board Emergency Loan</u>	
25 <u>Nonappropriated Account—State Appropriation. . . . .</u>	<u>\$3,000,000</u>
26 <u>Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .</u>	<u>\$267,000</u>
27 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$12,140,000</del> ))
28	<u>\$15,440,000</u>

29 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
30 conditions and limitations:

31 (1) Within appropriated funds, the county road administration  
32 board may opt in as provided under RCW 70A.02.030 to assume all of  
33 the substantive and procedural requirements of covered agencies under  
34 chapter 70A.02 RCW. The board shall include in its 2025 and 2026  
35 annual reports to the legislature a progress report on opting into  
36 the healthy environment for all act and a status report on diversity,  
37 equity, and inclusion within the board's jurisdiction. The county

1 road administration board may revise program standards, as needed,  
2 with legislative consultation.

3 (2) \$2,500,000 of the rural arterial trust account—state  
4 appropriation and \$2,500,000 of the county arterial preservation  
5 account—state appropriation are provided solely for a grant program  
6 to assist counties and cities with the costs associated with  
7 obtaining a new federal highway administration load rating for  
8 bridges to accommodate legal loads as authorized under RCW 46.44.041.

9 (3) \$3,000,000 of the county road administration board emergency  
10 loan nonappropriated account—state appropriation is provided solely  
11 for the board to award emergency loans for repairs and restoration of  
12 roads and bridges to counties and cities that experienced flooding,  
13 landslides, and infrastructure damage as a result of historically  
14 high rainfall levels in western Washington in December 2025. It is  
15 the intent of the legislature that communities awaiting federal  
16 funding relief have access to emergency loans to more rapidly begin  
17 repairing county roadway sections or structures that were severely  
18 damaged, destroyed, or substantially restricted to normal use due to  
19 the natural event. It is also the intent of the legislature to  
20 revisit the amounts appropriated in this section after data is  
21 collected and available from counties and cities for consideration in  
22 the 2027 legislative session.

23 **Sec. 203.** 2025 c 416 s 203 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
24 follows:

25 **FOR THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT BOARD**

26 Complete Streets Grant Program Account—State

27	<u>Appropriation. . . . .</u>	<u>\$163,000</u>
28	Transportation Improvement Account—State	
29	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <u>\$4,771,000</u> ))
30		<u>\$4,876,000</u>
31	<u>TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .</u>	<u>\$5,039,000</u>

32 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
33 conditions and limitations: Within appropriated funds, the  
34 transportation improvement board may opt in as provided under RCW  
35 70A.02.030 to assume all of the substantive and procedural  
36 requirements of covered agencies under chapter 70A.02 RCW. The board  
37 shall include in its 2025 and 2026 annual reports to the legislature  
38 a progress report on opting into the healthy environment for all act

1 and a status report on diversity, equity, and inclusion within the  
2 board's jurisdiction. The transportation improvement board may revise  
3 program standards, as needed, with legislative consultation.

4 **Sec. 204.** 2025 c 416 s 204 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
5 follows:

6 **FOR THE JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

7	Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State	
8	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$624,000</del> ))
9		<u>\$1,264,000</u>
10	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$3,379,000</del> ))
11		<u>\$3,688,000</u>
12	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
13	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$350,000</del> ))
14		<u>\$850,000</u>
15	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$4,353,000</del> ))
16		<u>\$5,802,000</u>

17 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
18 conditions and limitations:

19 (1) \$75,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
20 for the joint transportation committee, in collaboration with the  
21 facilities program within the department of transportation, to  
22 evaluate the cost and benefits associated with having the facilities  
23 program take on full responsibility for planning and support of some  
24 or all of the facilities currently operated by the Washington state  
25 ferries. The joint transportation committee must provide a  
26 preliminary assessment, including any recommendations, by December 1,  
27 2025. The joint transportation committee must prepare a final report,  
28 including any recommendations, by October 1, 2026.

29 (2) \$390,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
30 for the joint transportation committee, from amounts set aside out of  
31 statewide fuel taxes distributed to cities according to RCW  
32 46.68.110(2), for the following activities:

33 (a) \$250,000 is to contract with the association of Washington  
34 cities for the contracting for a facilitator for the process of  
35 updating the memorandum of understanding reached by the association  
36 of Washington cities and the Washington state department of  
37 transportation in 2013 for the construction, operations, and  
38 maintenance responsibilities for city streets as part of state

1 highways. With the help of the facilitator, a work group must be  
2 convened to collaborate on updating the agreement and developing  
3 recommendations for maintaining the agreement. Work group  
4 participants must consist of six members representing cities,  
5 appointed by the association of Washington cities, and six members of  
6 the Washington state department of transportation. The final work of  
7 the facilitated process must be completed by June 2027.

8 (b) \$140,000 is for the joint transportation committee to  
9 contract for an update to the 2019 assessment of city transportation  
10 funding needs to assess the current state of city transportation  
11 funding, identify emerging issues, and recommend funding sources to  
12 meet current and future needs. The association of Washington cities  
13 and the Washington department of transportation shall provide  
14 technical support to the study. The joint transportation committee  
15 must issue a report of its findings and recommendations to the  
16 transportation committees of the legislature by September 2026.

17 (3) \$75,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
18 for the joint transportation committee to continue the alternative  
19 project delivery methods and innovative practices study under section  
20 204(9), chapter 310, Laws of 2024. The next phase of the study must  
21 provide additional consultation on collaborative procurement and  
22 contracting approaches that may be used by the Washington state  
23 department of transportation in public works contracting to increase  
24 contract competition and support containing costs and project  
25 delivery schedule. A supplemental report on findings and  
26 recommendations, including any changes in current practice and  
27 statutory requirements, is due to the transportation committees of  
28 the legislature by December 1, 2025.

29 (4) \$274,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
30 appropriation is reappropriated for the joint transportation  
31 committee for a study of the impacts of implementing California's  
32 emissions standards for ocean-going vessels at berth in Titles 13 and  
33 17 of the California Code of Regulations in Washington. The joint  
34 transportation committee must report to the transportation committees  
35 of the legislature by December 31, 2025.

36 (5) \$250,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
37 for the joint transportation committee to contract with the Freight  
38 Policy Transportation Institute of Washington State University to  
39 serve as the independent review team to work in coordination with the

1 Washington state department of transportation's analysis, funded in  
2 section 217(5) (~~of this act~~), chapter 416, Laws of 2025, of  
3 highway, road, and freight rail transportation needs, options, and  
4 impacts from shifting the movement of freight and goods that  
5 currently move by barge through the lower Snake river dams to  
6 highways, other roads, and rail.

7 (a) The department shall include the independent review team in  
8 all phases of the analysis to enable the team to develop an  
9 independent assessment of the analysis, assumptions, stakeholder  
10 engagement, and cost and impact estimates. Summary findings from the  
11 independent assessment must be provided to the department, the  
12 governor's office, and the transportation committees of the  
13 legislature on a quarterly basis, with an end of biennium report due  
14 to the governor and the transportation committees of the legislature  
15 by December 31, 2026.

16 (b) The independent review team must conduct an independent  
17 stakeholder engagement effort. The river transportation work group  
18 must be formed to provide data and guidance to the independent review  
19 team for the independent stakeholder engagement effort. The river  
20 transportation work group must be made up of stakeholders, including  
21 farming and agricultural production, fishing industry, tug and barge  
22 operators, shippers and receivers, public ports, railroad operators,  
23 cruise lines, the federal highway administration, and the army corps  
24 of engineers. Consultations with federally recognized tribes must  
25 also occur in coordination with the Washington state department of  
26 transportation.

27 (c) The independent review team shall make regular presentations  
28 to the joint transportation committee and, by request, to the  
29 transportation committees of the legislature.

30 (6) \$200,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
31 for the joint transportation committee to conduct a study and make  
32 recommendations on alternative new methods for local governments to  
33 fund sidewalk improvements, including but not limited to establishing  
34 a sidewalk utility. The study must review revenue options utilized in  
35 other states and make evaluations based on fairness, stability,  
36 adequacy, regressivity, simplicity, and the effect on economic  
37 vitality. The joint transportation committee must submit a  
38 preliminary report of findings and recommendations to the  
39 transportation committees of the legislature by December 15, 2025. A

1 final report is due to the office of the governor and the  
2 transportation committees of the legislature by June 30, 2026.

3 (7) \$250,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
4 appropriation is for the joint transportation committee to review and  
5 evaluate administrative, performance, and delivery efficiencies for  
6 alternative fuel and zero emission vehicle and vessel and  
7 infrastructure programs and other transportation electrification  
8 programs funded under the climate commitment act. As part of its  
9 review, the committee must analyze previously and currently funded  
10 programs under the omnibus operating, capital, and transportation  
11 appropriations acts. By October 1, 2026, the committee must provide  
12 to the transportation committees of the legislature a report on  
13 evaluation findings and recommendations on improvements to program  
14 delivery, including the consolidation of any programs, and as to  
15 which agency or agencies are appropriate and optimal to administer  
16 such climate commitment act funded programs.

17 (8) (a) \$100,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
18 appropriation is for the joint transportation committee to continue  
19 its contract with a national expert on developing inclusive, mixed-  
20 income, mixed-use transit-oriented housing to complete a review of  
21 transit-oriented development conditions in cities in King, Pierce,  
22 Spokane, Clark, and Snohomish counties as described under section  
23 204(13), chapter 310, Laws of 2024.

24 (b) The review must also analyze transit-oriented development  
25 housing supply and affordability strategies within chapter 267, Laws  
26 of 2025, and include any recommendations on how such legislation may  
27 be most effectively implemented by local governments. The contracted  
28 party shall provide its review to the appropriate committees of the  
29 legislature by December 15, 2025.

30 (9) \$100,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
31 appropriation is for the joint transportation committee to oversee  
32 the development of tools and methodologies to assist in program  
33 delivery evaluation for fuel conversion activity programs that  
34 receive appropriations from the carbon emissions reduction account.  
35 Program delivery evaluation must include carbon emissions reduction  
36 estimates by program and by unit of time, program cost per unit of  
37 emission reduction, quantified benefits to vulnerable populations and  
38 overburdened communities by program cost, any additional appropriate  
39 qualitative and quantitative metrics, and actionable recommendations

1 for improvements in program delivery. A report is due to the  
2 transportation committees of the legislature by October 1, 2025.

3 (10) \$640,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
4 appropriation is for the joint transportation committee to continue  
5 to oversee the development and use of the carbon emission reduction  
6 tracking tool developed to assist in program delivery evaluation for  
7 fuel conversion activity programs that receive appropriations from  
8 the carbon emissions reduction account, where "fuel conversion  
9 activity programs" include the purchase of zero emission or hybrid  
10 electric vehicles, vessels, or off-road equipment, and the charging  
11 or fueling infrastructure needed to support zero emission or hybrid  
12 electric vehicles or vessels. Tool development and use activities may  
13 include, but are not limited to, tool administration, hosting,  
14 maintenance, support, enhancements, quality assurance activities, and  
15 a tool redesign for better integration of user data and data export  
16 capabilities.

17 (11) \$300,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
18 for the joint transportation committee to contract with Washington  
19 State University's Freight Policy Transportation Institute for the  
20 following activities:

21 (a) (i) \$200,000 to conduct a study of off-hour gate operations at  
22 the container terminals operated jointly by the ports of Seattle and  
23 Tacoma. The study should consider the following:

24 (A) The cost to the terminal operating entities associated with  
25 shifting hours of operation to an off-peak schedule;

26 (B) Cost savings to the state resulting from reduced  
27 transportation impacts of freight movement if an off-peak schedule is  
28 adopted;

29 (C) Other costs and benefits to the state from the adoption of an  
30 off-peak schedule;

31 (D) Emission reductions and other environmental benefits and  
32 costs that could result from adoption of an off-peak schedule;

33 (E) Costs and benefits to shippers and beneficial cargo owners;

34 (F) Impacts to key supply chain partners involved in freight  
35 movement, through interviews conducted by the joint transportation  
36 committee and Washington State University;

37 (G) Impacts to other supply chain partners, including, but not  
38 limited to, labor partners, warehousing, trucking, rail, and  
39 transloading; and

1 (H) Strategies that could support participation of supply chain  
2 partners in an off-peak schedule.

3 (ii) A final report shall be submitted to the transportation  
4 committees of the legislature by June 30, 2027.

5 (b) (i) \$100,000 to review the existing methodology for  
6 designating Washington state department of transportation freight and  
7 goods transportation system (FGTS) and the freight mobility strategic  
8 investment board's strategic freight corridors. The review should  
9 include:

10 (A) Recommendations for incorporating improved freight and  
11 economic data including, but not limited to, data on economic  
12 impacts, performance, tonnage, volume, resiliency, safety, and supply  
13 chain impacts;

14 (B) Recommendations on streamlining and utilizing collected data  
15 to designate FGTS and strategic freight corridors;

16 (C) An assessment of whether any new data collection, recording,  
17 and sharing capabilities of the Washington state department of  
18 transportation or local jurisdictions would be necessary to implement  
19 recommendations made; and

20 (D) An assessment of whether any statutory changes would be  
21 required to implement recommended methodology changes.

22 (ii) A final report of findings and recommendations shall be  
23 submitted to the transportation committees of the legislature by  
24 December 1, 2026.

25 (12) \$500,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
26 for the joint transportation committee, in collaboration with the  
27 department of transportation, to convene a work group on terminal  
28 improvements, vessel procurement, and ferry asset preservation in  
29 order to develop a long-range vessel sufficiency and asset management  
30 plan.

31 (a) The legislature finds that maintaining the state's marine  
32 highway system is of critical importance to the citizens of  
33 Washington state and that the aging condition of the state's vessel  
34 fleet requires action now to ensure replacement assets are in place  
35 to avoid service interruption and reduced service levels.

36 (b) The work group must consist of, but is not limited to, the  
37 following members:

38 (i) The secretary of transportation or the secretary of  
39 transportation's designee;

1 (ii) Joint transportation committee executive committee members  
2 or their designees; and

3 (iii) A representative from the office of financial management.

4 (c) The committee may contract with a third-party consultant for  
5 work group support. The committee may contract with a consultant  
6 specializing in naval architecture and marine engineering to provide  
7 neutral technical expertise to the work group.

8 (d) In developing a plan for long-range vessel sufficiency and  
9 ferry asset management, the work group shall:

10 (i) Prioritize approaches that, at a minimum, avoid loss of  
11 service, as defined by no reduction in planned service and no  
12 reduction to the total number of vessels actively in service or  
13 undergoing maintenance and preservation activities as of 2026;

14 (ii) Include in its considerations the environmental benefits and  
15 impacts, life cycle costs, and risks associated with technology and  
16 design alternatives;

17 (iii) Analyze and provide recommendations on industry standards  
18 and best practices for alternative vessel types, propulsion systems,  
19 and fuels;

20 (iv) Evaluate options for upgrading and modifying existing aging  
21 vessels and consider to what extent upgrading and modifying existing  
22 aging vessels is a viable supplemental strategy to avoid service  
23 interruption and the effective use of available resources; and

24 (v) Evaluate procurement and contract delivery options, including  
25 leasing, as well as parameters and schedule needed to avoid  
26 degradation of service.

27 (e) The work group shall evaluate sustainable funding and  
28 financing options, including leasing, certificates of participation,  
29 and bonding, that prioritize the avoidance of both a multi-year gap  
30 in service and loss of service delivery. The work group shall  
31 evaluate the financial feasibility of these options, among ferries  
32 accounts as well as the broader state transportation budget, taking  
33 into consideration other constraints in meeting long-term delivery  
34 expectations.

35 (f) The work group shall report its findings and recommendations  
36 to the governor and the appropriate transportation committees of the  
37 legislature by December 1, 2026.

38 **Sec. 205.** 2025 c 416 s 205 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
39 follows:

1 **FOR THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

2 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$2,105,000)~~)  
3 \$2,119,000  
4 Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express  
5 Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$150,000  
6 State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State  
7 Appropriation. . . . . \$488,000  
8 Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State  
9 Appropriation. . . . . \$178,000  
10 Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—  
11 State Appropriation. . . . . \$368,000  
12 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . (~~(\$3,289,000)~~)  
13 \$3,303,000

14 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
15 conditions and limitations:

16 ((+2)) (1) Within the parameters established under RCW  
17 47.56.880, the commission shall review toll revenue performance on  
18 the Interstate 405 and state route number 167 corridor and adjust  
19 Interstate 405 tolls as appropriate to increase toll revenue to  
20 provide sufficient funds for payments of future debt pursuant to RCW  
21 47.10.896 and to support improvements to the corridor. The commission  
22 shall consider adjusting maximum toll rates, minimum toll rates, day-  
23 of-week rates and time-of-day rates, and restricting direct access  
24 ramps to transit and HOV vehicles only, or any combination thereof,  
25 in setting tolls to increase toll revenue. The commission is  
26 encouraged to make any adjustments to toll rates in coordination with  
27 the planned expansion of express toll lanes between the cities of  
28 Renton and Bellevue.

29 ((+3)) (2) The commission must evaluate and consider temporary  
30 toll rate adjustments for the state route number 99 tunnel to support  
31 management of increased demand leading up to and during the 2026  
32 World Cup.

33 ((+4)) (3)(a) \$200,000 of the state route number 520 corridor  
34 account—state appropriation and \$200,000 of the Alaskan Way viaduct  
35 replacement project account—state appropriation are provided solely  
36 for the commission, in coordination with the department of  
37 transportation, to conduct a pilot or pilots of advanced tolling  
38 technology provided by the private sector. The purpose of this pilot  
39 or pilots will be to assess the viability and accuracy of advanced

1 technologies that may reduce the implementation and long-term costs  
2 of the toll system or enable more flexible operations. The commission  
3 shall retain a separate independent third-party vendor or vendors who  
4 can provide expert oversight, guidance, and advisement on the work,  
5 including: The pilot design; the evaluation plan; data analysis; and  
6 reporting on findings.

7 (b) A final report of findings is due to the transportation  
8 committees of the legislature by July 1, 2026. The report must, at a  
9 minimum: Outline the technology tested; provide a comparison of  
10 system performance, operations, costs, and revenue collection  
11 efficiencies between the test system or test systems and the roadway  
12 toll system in use today; assess the requirements for achieving  
13 compatibility with the existing back-office system; provide a summary  
14 of how lessons learned from the pilot or pilots were incorporated  
15 into the planned procurement of new roadside toll systems; and  
16 provide recommendations on next steps.

17 ((+5)) (4) The commission shall partner with the department of  
18 transportation to design and implement a toll relief program based  
19 upon income qualification. Implementation must start with facilities  
20 where tolling begins in fiscal year 2026 or later. The commission  
21 shall work with the department of transportation to assess potential  
22 impacts of extending the toll relief program based upon income  
23 qualification to existing tolled facilities that opened prior to  
24 fiscal year 2026. The assessment, at a minimum, must determine  
25 potential impacts to meeting current financial and legal requirements  
26 in place for each facility. The commission, in partnership with the  
27 department of transportation, shall provide annual updates on the  
28 program to the transportation committees of the legislature.

29 ((+6)) (5) The commission shall provide regular updates on the  
30 status of ongoing coordination with the state of Oregon regarding  
31 toll rates and exemptions. Prior to finalizing tolling proposals, the  
32 commission shall advise on the status of any bistate agreements to  
33 the joint transportation committee beginning in September 2025 and  
34 quarterly thereafter until any agreements are finalized.

35 **Sec. 206.** 2025 c 416 s 206 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
36 follows:

37 **FOR THE FREIGHT MOBILITY STRATEGIC INVESTMENT BOARD**  
38 Freight Mobility Investment Account—State  
39 Appropriation. . . . . ((~~\$1,412,000~~))

2 The appropriation in this section is subject to the following  
3 conditions and limitations: Within appropriated funds, the freight  
4 mobility strategic investment board may opt in as provided under RCW  
5 70A.02.030 to assume all of the substantive and procedural  
6 requirements of covered agencies under chapter 70A.02 RCW. The board  
7 shall include in its 2025 and 2026 annual reports to the legislature  
8 a progress report on opting into the healthy environment for all act  
9 and a status report on diversity, equity, and inclusion within the  
10 board's jurisdiction. The freight mobility strategic investment board  
11 may revise program standards, as needed, with legislative  
12 consultation.

13 **Sec. 207.** 2025 c 416 s 207 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
14 follows:

15 **FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE PATROL**

16	Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—	
17	State Appropriation. . . . .	\$42,000
18	State Patrol Highway Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$710,586,000)</del>
19		<u>\$728,779,000</u>
20	State Patrol Highway Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$24,001,000)</del>
21		<u>\$23,990,000</u>
22	State Patrol Highway Account—Private/Local	
23	Appropriation. . . . .	\$4,603,000
24	Highway Safety Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$10,276,000)</del>
25		<u>\$10,275,000</u>
26	Ignition Interlock Device Revolving Account—State	
27	Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$2,705,000)</del>
28		<u>\$2,704,000</u>
29	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
30	Appropriation. . . . .	\$328,000
31	State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
32	Appropriation. . . . .	\$90,000
33	Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State	
34	Appropriation. . . . .	\$274,000
35	I-405 and SR 167 Express Toll Lanes Account—State	
36	Appropriation. . . . .	\$2,894,000
37	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	<del>(\$755,799,000)</del>
38		<u>\$773,979,000</u>

1 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3 (1) \$580,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for the operation of and  
5 administrative support to the license investigation unit to enforce  
6 vehicle registration laws in southwestern Washington. The Washington  
7 state patrol, in consultation with the department of revenue, shall  
8 maintain a running estimate of the additional vehicle registration  
9 fees, sales and use taxes, and local vehicle fees remitted to the  
10 state pursuant to activity conducted by the license investigation  
11 unit. Beginning October 1, 2025, and semiannually thereafter, the  
12 Washington state patrol shall submit a report detailing the  
13 additional revenue amounts generated since July 1, 2023, to the  
14 director of the office of financial management and the transportation  
15 committees of the legislature. At the end of the fiscal quarter in  
16 which it is estimated that more than \$625,000 in state sales and use  
17 taxes have been remitted to the state since July 1, 2023, the  
18 Washington state patrol shall notify the state treasurer and the  
19 state treasurer shall transfer funds pursuant to section 406 (~~of~~  
20 ~~this act~~), chapter 416, Laws of 2025.

21 (2) (a) \$250,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for the activities of a vehicle  
23 registration pilot program in the Puget Sound region. The pilot  
24 program must emphasize compliance with annual vehicle registration  
25 requirements. By February 15, 2026, the Washington state patrol must  
26 provide a status report on pilot program implementation.

27 (b) The Washington state patrol must provide information on the  
28 funding needed and a preliminary plan for statewide implementation of  
29 activities related to ensuring compliance with annual vehicle  
30 registration in the report under (a) of this subsection.

31 (3) Washington state patrol officers engaged in off-duty  
32 uniformed employment providing traffic control services to the  
33 department of transportation or other state agencies may use state  
34 patrol vehicles for the purpose of that employment, subject to  
35 guidelines adopted by the chief of the Washington state patrol. The  
36 Washington state patrol must be reimbursed for the use of the vehicle  
37 at the prevailing state employee rate for mileage and hours of usage,  
38 subject to guidelines developed by the chief of the Washington state  
39 patrol.

1 (4) (a) By December 1st of each year during the 2025-2027 fiscal  
2 biennium, the Washington state patrol must report to the  
3 transportation committees of the legislature on the status of  
4 recruitment and retention activities as follows:

5 (i) A summary of recruitment and retention strategies;

6 (ii) The number of transportation funded staff vacancies by major  
7 category;

8 (iii) The number of applicants for each of the positions by these  
9 categories;

10 (iv) The composition of workforce;

11 (v) Other relevant outcome measures with comparative information  
12 with recent comparable months in prior years; and

13 (vi) Activities related to the implementation of the agency's  
14 workforce diversity plan, including short-term and long-term,  
15 specific comprehensive outreach, and recruitment strategies to  
16 increase populations underrepresented within both commissioned and  
17 noncommissioned employee groups.

18 (b) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the office of financial  
19 management, with assistance of the Washington state patrol, must  
20 conduct two surveys regarding the competitiveness with law  
21 enforcement agencies within the boundaries of the state of Washington  
22 pursuant to RCW 43.43.380, with the first survey being informational  
23 regarding the change since the last survey was conducted and the  
24 second survey used as part of the collective bargaining process.  
25 Prior to the 2026 legislative session, the office of financial  
26 management, with assistance of the Washington state patrol, must also  
27 provide comparison information regarding recruitment bonus amounts  
28 currently being offered by local law enforcement agencies in the  
29 state.

30 (5) (a) (~~(\$8,504,000)~~) \$11,337,000 of the state patrol highway  
31 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the land mobile  
32 radio system replacement, upgrade, and other related activities.

33 (b) Beginning January 1, 2026, the Washington state patrol must  
34 report semiannually to the office of the chief information officer on  
35 the progress related to the projects and activities associated with  
36 the land mobile radio system, including the governance structure,  
37 outcomes achieved in the prior six-month time period, and how the  
38 activities are being managed holistically as recommended by the  
39 office of the chief information officer. At the time of submittal to  
40 the office of the chief information officer, the report must be

1 transmitted to the office of financial management and the  
2 transportation committees of the legislature.

3 (6) (a) \$2,610,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for enhancing the state patrol's  
5 diversity, equity, and inclusion program, a community engagement  
6 program to improve relationships with historically underrepresented  
7 communities and to recruit and retain a diverse workforce, and  
8 contracting with an external psychologist to perform exams. The state  
9 patrol must work with the state office of equity and meet all  
10 reporting requirements and responsibilities pursuant to RCW  
11 43.06D.060. Funds provided for the community engagement program must  
12 ensure engagement with communities throughout the state.

13 (b) The state patrol may revise program standards, as needed,  
14 with legislative consultation.

15 (7) (a) \$7,552,000 of the (~~state patrol~~) highway safety account—  
16 state appropriation is provided solely for costs associated with the  
17 work zone speed safety camera pilot program with the amounts for  
18 specific activities as follows:

19 (i) \$2,353,000 for the Washington state patrol's oversight,  
20 administrative, overtime, and other costs associated with the  
21 processing of work zone speed violations;

22 (ii) \$3,990,000 for interagency reimbursements to the office of  
23 administrative hearings for adjudication related expenses associated  
24 with work zone speed violations; and

25 (iii) \$1,209,000 for interagency reimbursements to the office of  
26 attorney general for legal guidance and adjudication related expenses  
27 associated with work zone speed violations.

28 (b) By December 1st of each year during the 2025-2027 fiscal  
29 biennium, the Washington state patrol, in conjunction with the other  
30 agencies involved in the work zone speed safety camera pilot program,  
31 must report on the number of deployments and locations, workload,  
32 violations issued, detailed expenses incurred by each agency in the  
33 pilot program, and efficiency measures each agency is taking in  
34 operating the pilot program in the most cost-effective manner  
35 possible.

36 (8) \$1,668,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
37 appropriation is provided solely for three accelerated training  
38 programs for lateral hires. It is the intent of the legislature that  
39 the three accelerated training programs for lateral hires offered in

1 the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium achieve at least 30 qualified graduates  
2 based on the Washington state patrol aggressively recruiting,  
3 advertising bonus policies, and taking other steps to achieve this  
4 outcome.

5 (9) By December 1, 2026, the Washington state patrol must provide  
6 a report to the governor and appropriate committees of the  
7 legislature on the status of *McClain v. Washington State Patrol* and  
8 an update on legal expenses associated with the case.

9 (10) \$7,572,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for ~~((one additional trooper basic  
11 training class with troopers graduating in the 2025-2027 fiscal  
12 biennium and funding to initiate an additional trooper basic training  
13 class with troopers graduating in the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium))~~  
14 additional trooper basic training classes starting or graduating in  
15 the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

16 (11) Within existing resources, the Washington state patrol must  
17 offer a minimum of 14 emergency vehicle operator courses per year at  
18 its Shelton driving track exclusively for basic law enforcement  
19 academies offered by the criminal justice training commission.

20 (12) It is the intent of the legislature to address any  
21 demographic disparities that might exist regarding traffic stops  
22 initiated by troopers, including traffic stops of indigenous  
23 motorists. Therefore, within the amounts provided in this section,  
24 the Washington state patrol must provide a report to the joint  
25 transportation committee by October 1, 2025, detailing the  
26 demographic breakout of traffic stops for each of the most recent  
27 three calendar years for which data is available. The report must  
28 include counts and per capita rates for each demographic group on:  
29 (a) Traffic stops; (b) verbal warnings; (c) written warnings; (d)  
30 citation issuance; (e) arrests; and (f) searches. The joint  
31 transportation committee must hold a work session on the traffic stop  
32 report by December 15, 2025. If deemed warranted, the joint  
33 transportation committee shall make recommendations to the office of  
34 financial management and the transportation committees of the  
35 legislature on future funding adjustments or other actions necessary  
36 to address any demographic disparities identified in the report.

37 (13) \$800,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation  
38 is provided solely for increased chain enforcement on Interstate 90  
39 in the area around Snoqualmie Pass. The legislature intends that the  
40 Washington state patrol, pursuant to RCW 46.37.005, require

1 commercial vehicles to carry chains statewide during winter months  
2 and, in coordination with the department of transportation, develop a  
3 process for monitoring compliance at weigh stations.

4 (14) \$3,500,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely to address emergent issues that may  
6 arise due to the high level of commissioned and noncommissioned  
7 vacancies. Potential uses of the funding include the following:  
8 Employee leave buyouts, increased contracting to maintain adequate  
9 service levels, unanticipated facility and equipment needs, increased  
10 overtime, travel, and other related costs.

11 (15) (~~(\$3,000,000)~~) \$1,600,000 of the state patrol highway  
12 account—state appropriation is provided solely for hiring additional  
13 staff (~~and~~), increased overtime, increased contracting to maintain  
14 adequate service levels, purchasing equipment, and other related  
15 costs for the toxicology laboratory to reduce the DUI processing  
16 backlog, with the expectation that processing times will be reduced.  
17 Beginning December 1, 2025, and semiannually thereafter, the state  
18 patrol must report on the activities undertaken and planned with the  
19 funding provided in this subsection and current DUI processing times  
20 compared to those as of June 2025.

21 (16) (~~(\$4,500,000)~~) \$9,300,000 of the state patrol highway  
22 account—state appropriation is provided solely for updates and  
23 improvements to the agency's wide area and local area network. The  
24 office of financial management, in consultation with Washington  
25 technology solutions, must actively monitor the expenditure of funds  
26 provided in this subsection to ensure that the state patrol is  
27 staying within the scope, schedule, and budget of the project and has  
28 adequately addressed issues identified by Washington technology  
29 solutions in its review of the budget request. These issues include  
30 the appropriate phasing of the equipment replacement, conducting a  
31 cost-benefit analysis of leasing versus purchasing the equipment, and  
32 the utilization of existing state patrol staff compared to  
33 contracting for certain functions and activities to achieve the  
34 desired outcomes. The office of financial management may unallot any  
35 unused funding or pause the project at any time based on its  
36 assessment and monitoring.

37 (17) \$5,000,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely to enhance the vehicle replacement  
39 cycle for higher mileage vehicles in the agency's fleet.

1 (18) (a) \$3,644,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for administrative costs,  
3 advertising, outreach, and bonus payments associated with developing  
4 and implementing a state trooper expedited recruitment incentive  
5 program for the purpose of recruiting and filling vacant trooper  
6 positions in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium. The legislature is  
7 committed to continuing the state trooper expedited recruitment  
8 incentive program until the vacancy levels are significantly reduced  
9 from current levels. The recruitment, advertising, and outreach  
10 associated with this program must continue efforts to create a more  
11 diverse workforce and must also provide an accelerated pathway for  
12 joining the state patrol for high quality individuals who have  
13 previously been employed as a general authority peace officer.

14 (b) The state trooper expedited recruitment incentive program  
15 must include:

16 (i) Thorough hiring procedures to ensure that only the highest  
17 quality candidates are selected as cadets and as lateral hires,  
18 including extensive review of past law enforcement employment history  
19 through extensive reference checks, Brady list identification, and  
20 any other issues that may impact the performance, credibility, and  
21 integrity of the individual;

22 (ii) An accelerated training program for lateral hires from other  
23 agencies that recognizes the knowledge and experience of candidates  
24 previously employed in law enforcement; and

25 (iii) A sign-on bonus for each trooper hired through the  
26 expedited recruitment incentive program as follows:

27 (A) \$5,000 for each cadet after completion of the Washington  
28 state patrol academy;

29 (B) \$5,000 for each successful graduating cadet after completion  
30 of a one-year probation period;

31 (C) \$8,000 for each lateral hire after completion of the  
32 accelerated training program for lateral hires;

33 (D) \$6,000 for each lateral hire after completion of a one-year  
34 probation period; and

35 (E) \$6,000 for each lateral hire after completion of two years of  
36 service.

37 (c) The expenditures on the state trooper expedited recruitment  
38 incentive program are contingent upon execution of an appropriate  
39 memorandum of understanding between the governor or the governor's

1 designee and the exclusive bargaining representative, consistent with  
2 the terms of this section.

3 (d) For the purposes of this subsection:

4 (i) "Cadet" means a person employed for the express purpose of  
5 receiving the on-the-job training required for attendance at the  
6 Washington state patrol academy and for becoming a commissioned  
7 trooper.

8 (ii) "Lateral hire" means an eligible employee previously  
9 employed as a general authority peace officer.

10 (19) (~~(\$2,178,000)~~) \$1,865,000 of the state patrol highway  
11 account—state appropriation is provided solely to continue the bonus  
12 policy for commissioned staff who reach 26 or more years of service  
13 in the Washington state retirement system pursuant to chapter 237,  
14 Laws of 2024.

15 (20) \$600,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
16 appropriation is provided solely for staffing and security equipment  
17 for Washington state patrol to staff the international border  
18 crossing and provide support for the department of homeland security,  
19 during the months of June and July 2026 for the purposes of the World  
20 Cup, to facilitate border crossings and screening against human  
21 trafficking, narcotics trafficking, unlawful crossings, and other  
22 unlawful activity.

23 (21) \$304,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
24 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter . . .  
25 (Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 2637), Laws of 2026 (PRA/  
26 personal information). If chapter . . . (Engrossed Second Substitute  
27 House Bill No. 2637), Laws of 2026 is not enacted by June 30, 2026,  
28 the amount provided in this subsection lapses.

29 (22) \$998,000 of the state patrol highway account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for staffing and other related costs  
31 to support video coordination and processing for public disclosure  
32 and discovery requests. Within this funding the department must  
33 research and evaluate technology and automation enhancements to gain  
34 efficiency and reduce costs.

35 **Sec. 208.** 2025 c 416 s 208 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
36 follows:

37 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING**

38 Driver Licensing Technology Support Account—State

1	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,765,000</del> ))
2		<u>\$1,680,000</u>
3	Marine Fuel Tax Refund Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$34,000
4	Motorcycle Safety Education Account—State	
5	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$5,382,000</del> ))
6		<u>\$5,419,000</u>
7	Limited Fish and Wildlife Account—State	
8	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$495,000</del> ))
9		<u>\$509,000</u>
10	Highway Safety Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$289,511,000</del> ))
11		<u>\$300,472,000</u>
12	Highway Safety Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,311,000
13	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$94,639,000</del> ))
14		<u>\$94,529,000</u>
15	Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,336,000
16	Ignition Interlock Device Revolving Account—State	
17	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$6,831,000</del> ))
18		<u>\$6,837,000</u>
19	Department of Licensing Services Account—State	
20	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$8,585,000</del> ))
21		<u>\$7,694,000</u>
22	License Plate Technology Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$3,747,000</del> ))
23		<u>\$4,223,000</u>
24	Abandoned Recreational Vehicle Account—State	
25	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$3,109,000</del> ))
26		<u>\$5,083,000</u>
27	Limousine Carriers Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$128,000</del> ))
28		<u>\$147,000</u>
29	Electric Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$459,000
30	DOL Technology Improvement & Data Management	
31	Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$968,000</del> ))
32		<u>\$967,000</u>
33	Agency Financial Transaction Account—State	
34	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$16,317,000</del> ))
35		<u>\$13,699,000</u>
36	Move Ahead WA Flexible Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,506,000</del> ))
37		<u>\$1,471,000</u>
38	Driver's Education Safety Improvement Account—State	
39	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$10,460,000</del> ))

1 \$10,143,000  
 2 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((~~\$446,583,000~~))  
 3 \$456,013,000

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

6 (1) \$1,100,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation  
 7 and \$1,100,000 of the move ahead WA flexible account—state  
 8 appropriation are provided solely for the department to provide an  
 9 interagency transfer to the department of children, youth, and  
 10 families for the purpose of providing driver's license support. In  
 11 addition to support services required under RCW 74.13.338(2), support  
 12 services may include reimbursement of:

13 (a) The cost for a youth in foster care of any eligible age to  
 14 complete a driver training education course, as outlined in chapter  
 15 46.82 or 28A.220 RCW;

16 (b) The costs incurred by foster youth in foster care for a motor  
 17 vehicle insurance policy;

18 (c) The costs of roadside assistance, motor vehicle insurance  
 19 deductibles, motor vehicle registration fees, towing services,  
 20 vehicle maintenance, comprehensive motor vehicle insurance, and gas  
 21 cards; and

22 (d) Any other costs related to obtaining a driver's license and  
 23 driving legally and safely.

24 (2)(a) \$2,200,000 of the highway safety account—state  
 25 appropriation is provided solely for organizations providing driver's  
 26 license assistance and support services.

27 (b) By December 1st of each year during the 2025-2027 fiscal  
 28 biennium, the department must submit information on the contracted  
 29 providers, including: The annual budget of the contracted providers  
 30 in the preceding year; information regarding private and other  
 31 governmental support for the activities of the providers; and a  
 32 description of the number of people served, services delivered, and  
 33 outcome measures.

34 (3) Within existing resources, the department must continue to  
 35 issue nonemergency medical transportation vehicle decals under the  
 36 high occupancy vehicle lane access pilot program in accordance with  
 37 sections 217(2) and 208(20), chapter 310, Laws of 2024.

38 (4)(a) (~~\$3,109,000~~) \$5,083,000 of the abandoned recreational  
 39 vehicle disposal account—state appropriation is provided solely for

1 providing reimbursements in accordance with the department's  
2 abandoned recreational vehicle disposal reimbursement program. It is  
3 the intent of the legislature that the department prioritize this  
4 funding for allowable and approved reimbursements and not to build a  
5 reserve of funds within the account. During the 2025-2027 fiscal  
6 biennium, the department must report any amounts recovered to the  
7 office of financial management and appropriate committees of the  
8 legislature on a quarterly basis.

9 (b) Within the amounts appropriated under this subsection, the  
10 department, after consulting with abandoned recreational vehicle  
11 disposal reimbursement program participants, must assess current  
12 practices and reimbursement rates associated with the fiscal  
13 sustainability of the program. By December 1, 2025, the department  
14 must submit a financial plan demonstrating sustainability for a  
15 minimum of two subsequent fiscal biennia at current or proposed fee  
16 rates.

17 ~~((+6))~~ (5) The department shall report on a quarterly basis on  
18 licensing service office operations, associated workload, and  
19 information with comparative information with recent comparable  
20 months in prior years. The report must include detailed statewide and  
21 by licensing service office information on staffing levels, average  
22 monthly wait times, the number of enhanced drivers' licenses and  
23 enhanced identicards issued and renewed, and the number of primary  
24 drivers' licenses and identicards issued and renewed. By November 1,  
25 2025, the department must update a report with recommendations on the  
26 future of licensing service office operations based on the recent  
27 implementation of efficiency measures designed to reduce the time for  
28 licensing transactions and wait times, and the implementation of  
29 statutory and policy changes.

30 ~~((+7))~~ (6) \$6,000 of the motorcycle safety education account—  
31 state appropriation, \$1,000 of the limited fish and wildlife account—  
32 state appropriation, \$406,000 of the highway safety account—state  
33 appropriation, \$137,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
34 appropriation, \$5,000 of the ignition interlock device revolving  
35 account—state appropriation, and \$6,000 of the department of  
36 licensing services account—state appropriation are provided solely  
37 for the department of licensing for additional finance and budget  
38 staff. By December 1, 2025, the department shall submit a report to  
39 the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature on the

1 specific steps the department has taken to address the findings of  
2 the State Auditor's Office FY2022 Accountability Audit Report No.  
3 1032793.

4 ~~((8))~~ (7) \$50,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for the department to conduct a  
6 study on the feasibility of implementing and administering a per mile  
7 fee program. The study must identify the staffing and resources  
8 needed to implement and administer the program, including possible  
9 technical investments, leveraging existing technology platforms. The  
10 legislature intends to require a final report that includes potential  
11 third-party costs and options to the governor and the transportation  
12 committees of the legislature by December 31, 2025.

13 ~~((9))~~ (8)(a) ~~(\$300,000)~~ \$600,000 of the highway safety  
14 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
15 enter into an interagency agreement with the commission on Asian  
16 Pacific American affairs to contract with one or more private  
17 nonprofit organizations with appropriate expertise and experience to  
18 provide REAL ID compliance support to residents of the state who are  
19 compact of free association citizens, comprised of citizens of the  
20 Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands,  
21 and the Republic of Palau, by providing the following assistance  
22 using a culturally and linguistically appropriate approach:

23 (i) Communication and community outreach activities to inform  
24 compact of free association citizens of federally acceptable  
25 identification options that will be required and for which they are  
26 eligible for the purposes of domestic air travel once the REAL ID Act  
27 policy takes effect;

28 (ii) Case management assistance through the use of community  
29 navigators who can provide assistance in the process to obtain  
30 federally acceptable identification documents that will be required  
31 for the purposes of domestic air travel when the REAL ID Act policy  
32 is in effect, including in obtaining any documentation necessary for  
33 the application process; and

34 (iii) For those who meet the requirements of (b) of this  
35 subsection, financial assistance to obtain federally acceptable  
36 identification documents that will be required for the purposes of  
37 domestic air travel when the REAL ID Act policy is in effect,  
38 including financial assistance to obtain a foreign passport.

1 (b) To qualify for assistance under (a)(ii) of this subsection  
2 (~~(9)~~) (8), a compact of free association citizen who resides in the  
3 state of Washington must be:

4 (i) A recipient of, or eligible for, public assistance under  
5 Title 74 RCW; or

6 (ii) A participant in, or eligible for, the Washington women,  
7 infants, and children program.

8 (~~(10)~~) (9) \$173,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 332,  
10 Laws of 2025 (improving collector vehicle regulations). (~~If~~  
11 ~~chapter . . . (Substitute Senate Bill No. 5127), Laws of 2025 is not~~  
12 ~~enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection~~  
13 ~~lapses.~~

14 (~~(12)~~) (10) \$44,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of  
16 (~~chapter . . . (Substitute Senate Bill No. 5410), Laws of 2025~~  
17 ~~(veteran parking privileges) or~~) chapter 295, Laws of 2025 (veteran  
18 parking privileges). (~~If neither chapter . . . (Substitute Senate~~  
19 ~~Bill No. 5410), Laws of 2025 or chapter . . . (Substitute House Bill~~  
20 ~~No. 1371), Laws of 2025 are enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount~~  
21 ~~provided in this subsection lapses.~~

22 (~~(13)~~) (11) \$4,971,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 385,  
24 Laws of 2025 (special license plates). (~~If chapter . . . (Substitute~~  
25 ~~Senate Bill No. 5444), Laws of 2025 is not enacted by June 30, 2025,~~  
26 ~~the amount provided in this subsection lapses.~~

27 (~~(14)~~) (12) \$36,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
28 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 10,  
29 Laws of 2025 (vehicle inspection backlog). (~~If chapter . . . (Senate~~  
30 ~~Bill No. 5462), Laws of 2025 is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the~~  
31 ~~amount provided in this subsection lapses.~~

32 (~~(15)~~) (13) \$64,000 of the highway safety account—state  
33 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 217,  
34 Laws of 2025 (blood type information). (~~If chapter . . . (Engrossed~~  
35 ~~Senate Bill No. 5689), Laws of 2025 is not enacted by June 30, 2025,~~  
36 ~~the amount provided in this subsection lapses.~~

37 (~~(16)~~) (14) \$150,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
38 appropriation is provided solely for the department to send periodic  
39 notifications to vehicle owners with significantly expired vehicle

1 registrations to increase compliance with annual vehicle registration  
2 requirements. Notifications must contain information about vehicle  
3 registration requirements and possible penalties associated with  
4 operating a vehicle with an expired registration.

5 ~~((17) \$726,000))~~ (15) \$638,000 of the highway safety account—  
6 state appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter  
7 417, Laws of 2025 (transportation resources). ~~((If chapter . . .  
8 Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5801), Laws of 2025 is not  
9 enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection  
10 lapses.))~~ Of this amount:

11 (a) ~~((256,000))~~ \$331,000 is provided solely for the  
12 implementation of new revenues; and

13 (b) ~~((470,000))~~ \$307,000 is provided solely for the department  
14 to implement a program to compensate registered tow truck operators  
15 for private property impounds.

16 ~~((18))~~ (16) \$50,000 of the highway safety account—state  
17 appropriation is provided solely for the department to translate the  
18 driver licensing examination manual and knowledge test into Dari,  
19 Farsi, and Somali.

20 ~~((20))~~ (17) \$106,000 of the highway safety account—state  
21 appropriation is provided solely for the implementation of chapter  
22 175, Laws of 2025 (driver training alternative). ~~((If chapter . . .,  
23 Laws of 2025 (House Bill No. 1244) is not enacted by June 30, 2025,  
24 the amount provided in this subsection lapses.~~

25 ~~(21))~~ (18) \$1,081,000 of the highway safety account—state  
26 appropriation is provided solely for the implementation of chapter  
27 228, Laws of 2025 (speeding). ~~((If chapter . . ., Laws of 2025  
28 Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1596) is not enacted by June 30,  
29 2025, the amount provided in this subsection lapses.~~

30 ~~(23) \$2,000,000))~~ (19) \$3,577,000 of the highway safety account—  
31 state appropriation is provided solely to continue the DOL2Go  
32 program, bringing driver licensing and identicard services to  
33 underrepresented and rural communities.

34 ~~((24))~~ (20) \$464,000 of the highway safety account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for the department's costs to  
36 provide an interagency transfer to the Washington center for deaf and  
37 hard of hearing youth to continue efforts to make driver training  
38 education more accessible for deaf and hard of hearing youth in the  
39 state.

1        ~~((25))~~ (21) \$300,000 of the highway safety account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for additional actions in accordance  
3 with the recently completed evaluation of ways to implement an older  
4 and medically at-risk driver program.

5        ~~((26))~~ (22) \$10,460,000 of the driver education safety  
6 improvement account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
7 implementation of chapter 299, Laws of 2025 (young driver safety).  
8 ~~((If chapter . . ., Laws of 2025 (Engrossed Substitute House Bill No.  
9 1878) is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
10 subsection lapses.~~

11        ~~(27))~~ (23) \$22,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for the implementation of chapter  
13 229, Laws of 2025 (transportation network companies). ~~((If  
14 chapter . . ., Laws of 2025 (Engrossed Substitute House Bill No.  
15 1332) is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
16 subsection lapses.))~~

17        (24) The department shall update its administrative rules to  
18 detail the requirements for documentation that health care  
19 professionals may provide electronically to individuals for inclusion  
20 in applications to the department for special parking privileges  
21 under RCW 46.19.010, and shall ensure that vehicle licensing offices  
22 have been provided with detailed guidance consistent with these  
23 updated administrative rules. These efforts must be completed, and a  
24 brief report provided to the transportation committees of the  
25 legislature summarizing these efforts, by no later than January 1,  
26 2027.

27        (25) (a) \$89,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
28 is provided solely for implementation of chapter . . . (Substitute  
29 House Bill No. 2374), Laws of 2026 (concerning electric-assisted  
30 bicycle and electric motorcycle regulation). If chapter . . .  
31 (Substitute House Bill No. 2374), Laws of 2026 is not enacted by June  
32 30, 2026, the amount provided in this subsection (25) lapses.

33        (b) As part of the scope of work required under the bill, the  
34 work group must also address the regulatory landscape currently in  
35 place for micromobility devices, including electric unicycles,  
36 scooters, and tricycles, and whether revisions or additions to  
37 current regulations could better align the state's approach with the  
38 regulation of other vehicles.

1 (26) \$148,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation  
2 is provided solely for implementation of chapter . . . (Engrossed  
3 Second Substitute House Bill No. 2637), Laws of 2026 (PRA/personal  
4 information). If chapter . . . (Engrossed Second Substitute House  
5 Bill No. 2637), Laws of 2026 is not enacted by June 30, 2026, the  
6 amount provided in this subsection lapses.

7 (27) \$14,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation is  
8 provided solely for implementation of chapter . . . (Substitute House  
9 Bill No. 2323), Laws of 2026 (Traffic stops/blue envelope). If  
10 chapter . . . (Substitute House Bill No. 2323), Laws of 2026 is not  
11 enacted by June 30, 2026, the amount provided in this subsection  
12 lapses.

13 (28) \$751,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation,  
14 \$125,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation, and  
15 \$376,000 of the license plate technology account—state appropriation  
16 are provided solely for improvements and necessary changes to the  
17 department's information technology systems. In utilizing the funding  
18 provided in this subsection, the department must prioritize  
19 legislatively directed changes and statutory changes resulting from  
20 legislation.

21 (29) \$817,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
22 provided solely for the department to finalize the upgrade and  
23 improvements to its prorated and fuel tax system, and is subject to  
24 the conditions, limitations, and review requirements of section 701  
25 of this act.

26 **Sec. 209.** 2025 c 416 s 209 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
27 follows:

28 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—TOLL OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**  
29 **—PROGRAM B**

Puget Sound Gateway Facility Account—State	
Appropriation. . . . .	\$7,701,000
State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$50,261,000</del> ))
	<u>\$51,426,000</u>
State Route Number 520 Civil Penalties Account—State	
Appropriation. . . . .	\$2,378,000
Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State	
Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$38,652,000</del> ))

1		<u>\$39,154,000</u>
2	Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—	
3	State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$26,683,000</del> ))
4		<u>\$27,336,000</u>
5	Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express	
6	Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$42,255,000</del> ))
7		<u>\$42,761,000</u>
8	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$167,930,000</del> ))
9		<u>\$170,756,000</u>

10       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
11 conditions and limitations:

12       (1) \$1,300,000 of the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account—state  
13 appropriation and \$12,820,000 of the state route number 520 corridor  
14 account—state appropriation are provided solely for the purposes of  
15 addressing unforeseen operations and maintenance costs on the Tacoma  
16 Narrows bridge and the state route number 520 bridge, respectively.  
17 The office of financial management shall place the amounts provided  
18 in this subsection, which represent a portion of the required minimum  
19 fund balance under the policy of the state treasurer, in unallotted  
20 status. The office may release the funds only when it determines that  
21 all other funds designated for operations and maintenance purposes  
22 have been exhausted.

23       (2) As long as the facility is tolled, the department must  
24 provide annual reports to the transportation committees of the  
25 legislature on the Interstate 405 express toll lane project  
26 performance measures listed in RCW 47.56.880(4). These reports must  
27 include:

28       (a) Information on the travel times and travel time reliability  
29 (at a minimum, average and 90th percentile travel times) maintained  
30 during peak and nonpeak periods in the express toll lanes and general  
31 purpose lanes for both the entire corridor and commonly made trips in  
32 the corridor including, but not limited to, northbound from Bellevue  
33 to Rose Hill, state route number 520 at NE 148th to Interstate 405 at  
34 state route number 522, Bellevue to Bothell (both NE 8th to state  
35 route number 522 and NE 8th to state route number 527), and a trip  
36 internal to the corridor (such as NE 85th to NE 160th) and similar  
37 southbound trips; and

1 (b) Underlying congestion measurements, that is, speeds, that are  
2 being used to generate the summary graphs provided, to be made  
3 available in a digital file format.

4 (3) The department shall make detailed annual reports to the  
5 transportation committees of the legislature and the public on the  
6 department's website in a manner consistent with past practices as  
7 specified in section 209(5), chapter 186, Laws of 2022.

8 (4) As part of the department's 2027-2029 biennial budget  
9 request, the department shall update the cost allocation  
10 recommendations that assign appropriate costs to each of the toll  
11 funds for services provided by relevant Washington state department  
12 of transportation programs, the Washington state patrol, and the  
13 transportation commission. The recommendations shall be based on  
14 updated traffic and toll transaction patterns and other relevant  
15 factors.

16 (5) \$150,000 of the state route number 520 corridor account—state  
17 appropriation, \$150,000 of the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account—  
18 state appropriation, \$150,000 of the Alaskan Way viaduct replacement  
19 project account—state appropriation, and \$150,000 of the Interstate  
20 405 and state route number 167 express toll lanes account—state  
21 appropriation are provided solely for the development of a strategic,  
22 long-range tolling feasibility assessment that indicates the  
23 operational viability and revenue potential for possible future  
24 tolled facilities in the state. At a minimum, the department, working  
25 in partnership with the transportation commission, shall: Identify  
26 candidate projects for modeling analysis utilizing a screening tool  
27 that seeks to maximize systemwide performance; determine tolling  
28 feasibility and potential gross and net toll revenue for each  
29 identified project; consider various approaches to tolling operations  
30 and their associated costs; and identify the potential impacts of  
31 tolling to surrounding roadways. The strategic tolling feasibility  
32 assessment must be submitted to the transportation committees of the  
33 legislature by October 1, 2026.

34 (6) As part of its 2026 supplemental budget submittal, the  
35 department must submit recommendations to further reduce mailing and  
36 other customer correspondence costs over the long-term, including  
37 implementation cost estimates.

38 (7) The legislature intends that tolling commence as soon as  
39 possible on the I-405 express toll lanes Renton to Bellevue corridor.

1 The legislature intends to provide additional funding for operations  
2 and maintenance expenditures on the corridor if such funding is  
3 necessary due to earlier than expected tolling commencement.

4 **Sec. 210.** 2025 c 416 s 210 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
5 follows:

6 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY—PROGRAM**  
7 **C**

8 Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$11,970,000
9 Transportation Partnership Account—State	
10 Appropriation. . . . .	\$2,472,000
11 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$127,544,000)</del>
12	<u>\$130,520,000</u>
13 Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account—State	
14 Appropriation. . . . .	\$307,000
15 Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
16 Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$3,059,000)</del>
17	<u>\$3,062,000</u>
18 Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)—State	
19 Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,488,000
20 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	<del>(\$146,840,000)</del>
21	<u>\$149,819,000</u>

22 **Sec. 211.** 2025 c 416 s 211 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
23 follows:

24 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—FACILITY MAINTENANCE,**  
25 **OPERATIONS, AND CONSTRUCTION—PROGRAM D—OPERATING**

26 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$43,820,000)</del>
27	<u>\$43,937,000</u>
28 Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$2,044,000
29 State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
30 Appropriation. . . . .	\$34,000
31 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	<del>(\$45,898,000)</del>
32	<u>\$46,015,000</u>

33 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
34 conditions and limitations:

35 (1) \$2,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
36 is provided solely for tenant improvements and other costs associated  
37 with administrative space efficiency actions taken throughout the

1 agency. The department must continue to aggressively pursue office  
2 and administrative space efficiency as detailed in recent reports  
3 identifying opportunities for savings and cost avoidance, including:

4 (a) Reducing costs, such as leases, facility maintenance, and  
5 utilities, from agency consolidations;

6 (b) Implementing colocations with other state, local, and other  
7 public agencies to reduce costs and improve cost-efficiency while  
8 meeting utilization standards; and

9 (c) Evaluating specific additional opportunities for space  
10 efficiency, consolidations, and colocation opportunities associated  
11 with the Bellingham engineering field office, the Corson Avenue  
12 regional headquarters campus, the Dayton Avenue northwest regional  
13 headquarters, and the transportation building in Olympia.

14 (2) By January 1st of each year during the 2025-2027 fiscal  
15 biennium, the department must provide a progress report on  
16 implementing the actions under subsection (1) of this section in the  
17 most recent calendar year and any planned actions in the subsequent  
18 two-year period in these efforts.

19 **Sec. 212.** 2025 c 416 s 213 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
20 follows:

21 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—AVIATION—PROGRAM F**

22 Aeronautics Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$13,398,000</del> ))
	<u>\$15,441,000</u>
24 Aeronautics Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$2,597,000</del> ))
	<u>\$3,154,000</u>
26 Aeronautics Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$60,000
27 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$16,055,000</del> ))
	<u>\$18,655,000</u>

29 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
30 conditions and limitations:

31 (1) The department shall submit a report to the transportation  
32 committees of the legislature by October 1, 2026, identifying a  
33 selection of sustainable aviation projects for funding by the  
34 legislature. In considering projects to recommend to fund, the  
35 department shall only consider projects that advance the state of  
36 sustainable aviation technology and lead to future innovation.  
37 Innovative sustainable aviation projects may include, but are not  
38 limited to, pilot projects demonstrating the use of:

- 1 (a) Mobile battery charging technology;
- 2 (b) Hydrogen electrolyzers and storage;
- 3 (c) Electric ground equipment; and
- 4 (d) Hanger charging technology.

5 (2) \$500,000 of the aeronautics account—state appropriation is  
6 provided solely for Snohomish county to conduct a study to plan for  
7 and identify on-site or off-site improvements necessary to implement  
8 capacity expansion at Paine Field to meet future regional commercial  
9 passenger demand.

10 (3) \$300,000 of the aeronautics account—state appropriation is  
11 provided solely for the Port of Bremerton to conduct the second phase  
12 of a feasibility study on the possibility of offering commercial  
13 service at the Bremerton National Airport. The department may not  
14 require a match for this project.

15 (4) \$750,000 of the aeronautics account—state appropriation is  
16 provided solely for the city of Yakima for an overflow parking lot at  
17 the Yakima Air Terminal. The department may not require a match for  
18 this project.

19 (5) \$1,774,000 of the aeronautics account—state appropriation is  
20 provided solely for the commercial aviation work group created in  
21 chapter 463, Laws of 2023, specifically for the following activities:

22 (a) The state commercial aviation work group shall  
23 comprehensively evaluate the long-range commercial aviation needs of  
24 Washington within the broader context of state transportation needs  
25 and the specific needs of western Washington taking into  
26 consideration airport capacity in adjacent states and provinces. The  
27 work group shall review existing data and conduct research to  
28 determine Washington's long-range commercial aviation facility needs  
29 while considering alternatives to additional airport capacity.

30 (b) (i) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the  
31 work group shall investigate the expansion of existing aviation  
32 facilities and possible siting locations for new greenfield aviation  
33 facilities, with the expected outcome to be a report that compares  
34 the strengths and weaknesses of each site considered. In this  
35 investigation, the work group shall consider both new sites and those  
36 previously identified in previous aviation planning documents. The  
37 work group must consider all impacts that, whether by the expansion  
38 of a current facility or the location of a new greenfield site, the

1 creation of a new primary commercial aviation facility may have,  
2 including impacts on:

3 (A) Community members and quality of life;

4 (B) The environment, including the impacts of a facility on water  
5 quality and the ability of the state to meet the greenhouse gas  
6 emissions limits established in RCW 70A.45.020;

7 (C) County master plans and other local planning and zoning,  
8 including development regulations and comprehensive plans adopted  
9 under chapter 36.70A RCW; and

10 (D) Current airspace operations.

11 (ii) The work group shall:

12 (A) Perform outreach to and make efforts to collaborate with:

13 (I) Applicable federal agencies including the federal aviation  
14 administration, the United States environmental protection agency,  
15 the United States department of defense, and the United States  
16 department of energy;

17 (II) Indian tribes, as defined in RCW 43.376.010, through  
18 outreach and collaboration by the work group under this subsection  
19 does not constitute or substitute for formal government-to-government  
20 consultation under the 1989 State-Tribal Relations/Centennial Accord  
21 and chapter 43.376 RCW;

22 (III) The environmental community;

23 (IV) Local communities;

24 (V) Economic development agencies;

25 (VI) Other states and provinces as appropriate;

26 (B) Identify potential site infrastructure shortfalls and make  
27 recommendations as to how they could be most suitably addressed,  
28 including the feasibility of the specific transportation  
29 infrastructure required to move people to the potential site. This  
30 process includes the delivery of an adequate supply of aircraft fuel  
31 and supporting infrastructure along with facilities needed to  
32 transition to the use of sustainable aviation fuels;

33 (C) Consider the cost of construction of a facility and  
34 supporting infrastructure;

35 (D) In cooperation with the federal aviation administration,  
36 analyze:

37 (I) Airspace requirements and airspace restrictions of potential  
38 sites;

39 (II) Any possible terrain and man-made obstacles that could  
40 possibly create a hazard to aircraft;

1 (III) Local weather patterns and microclimates to determine if  
2 they will create issues for the operation of large aircraft; and

3 (E) Carry out other duties as assigned by the legislature.

4 (c) The work group shall not consider:

5 (i) Expansion opportunities for a port or county run airport  
6 located in a county with a population of 2,000,000 or more; or

7 (ii) The expansion of an existing airport or the siting of a new  
8 airport that would be incompatible with the operations of a military  
9 installation.

10 (d) In addition, the work group shall provide information to the  
11 transportation committees of the legislature on the future of  
12 aviation growth in the state, including potential commercial  
13 aviation, general aviation, and air cargo demands, with consideration  
14 of new technologies, alternative transportation modes, and the  
15 airport of the future.

16 (e) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to endorse,  
17 limit, or otherwise alter existing or future plans for capital  
18 development and capacity enhancement at existing commercial airports  
19 in Washington.

20 (6) \$2,100,000 of the aeronautics account—state appropriation is  
21 provided solely for the move ahead WA aviation grants. The department  
22 shall prioritize projects eligible for federal funding.

23 **Sec. 213.** 2025 c 416 s 214 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
24 follows:

25 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—PROGRAM DELIVERY MANAGEMENT AND**  
26 **SUPPORT—PROGRAM H**

27 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(\$70,272,000)
	<u>\$70,279,000</u>
29 Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	\$500,000
30 Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
31 Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,176,000
32 Move Ahead WA Flexible Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$572,000
33 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(\$72,520,000)
34	<u>\$72,527,000</u>

35 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
36 conditions and limitations:

37 (1) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, if the department takes  
38 possession of the property situated in the city of Edmonds for which

1 a purchase agreement was executed between Unocal and the department  
2 in 2005 (Tax Parcel Number 262703-2-003-0009), and if the department  
3 confirms that the property is still no longer needed for  
4 transportation purposes, the department shall provide the city of  
5 Edmonds with the first right of purchase at fair market value in  
6 accordance with RCW 47.12.063(3) for the city's intended use of the  
7 property to rehabilitate near-shore habitat for salmon and related  
8 species.

9 (2) (a) \$572,000 of the move ahead WA flexible account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely to track and maximize clean fuels  
11 credits and revenue generated by state agencies pursuant to chapter  
12 70A.535 RCW.

13 (b) The LEAP Transportation Document (~~(2025-2)~~) 2026-2 ALL  
14 PROJECTS as developed (~~(April 26, 2025)~~) February 23, 2026,  
15 anticipates fulfillment of the requirements under chapter 70A.535 RCW  
16 of generating credits and revenue for transportation investments  
17 funded in an omnibus transportation appropriations act, including the  
18 move ahead WA transportation package. The omnibus transportation  
19 appropriations act anticipates credits for ferry electrification for  
20 new hybrid electric vessels, active transportation, transit programs  
21 and projects, alternative fuel infrastructure, connecting  
22 communities, and multimodal investments.

23 (c) Pursuant to the reporting requirements of RCW 70A.535.050(5),  
24 the department must present a detailed projection of the credit  
25 revenues generated and achieved directly as a result of the funding  
26 and activities in this subsection.

27 (3) \$350,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
28 appropriation is reappropriated and provided solely for the  
29 department to explore alternative uses of the state's highway rights-  
30 of-way consistent with section 214(7), chapter 310, Laws of 2024.

31 (4) The department may not execute a state highway route transfer  
32 under RCW 36.75.090 and 47.24.010 without approval from the receiving  
33 city or county from July 1, 2025, until June 30, 2026. The department  
34 may continue discussions with local jurisdictions regarding state  
35 highway route transfers to local jurisdictions that may occur after  
36 consideration of the final report and recommendations of the  
37 Washington State Route Jurisdiction Study expected by December 2025.

38 (5) The legislature must be consulted before any decisions on  
39 parcel numbers 7666206955 and 7666206950 for more than temporary use

1 and before entering into any negotiations, or signing any contracts  
2 or lease for development, lease, or sale of those properties.

3 (6) \$250,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
4 provided solely for the implementation of chapter 298, Laws of 2025  
5 (lease of unused highway land). ~~((If chapter . . . , Laws of 2025  
6 (Substitute House Bill No. 1774) is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the  
7 amount provided in this subsection lapses.))~~

8 (7) \$285,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
9 provided solely for the implementation of chapter 365, Laws of 2025  
10 (streamlining of permitting for transportation projects work group).  
11 ~~((If chapter . . . , Laws of 2025 (Engrossed Substitute House Bill No.  
12 1902) is not enacted by June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this  
13 subsection lapses.))~~

14 (8) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, if the department  
15 completes the final design for the North Spokane Corridor Project -  
16 I-90 Connection Phase, and the department confirms that the property  
17 is not presently needed for highway purposes and that the use would  
18 not conflict with adjacent highway purposes, the department shall  
19 provide the Carl Maxey Center the opportunity to lease WSDOT property  
20 along I-90 in the East Central Neighborhood for the purposes of  
21 affordable housing using lease terms consistent with RCW 47.12.120.

22 **Sec. 214.** 2025 c 416 s 215 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
23 follows:

24 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS—**  
25 **PROGRAM K**

26	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,647,000
27	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
28	Appropriation. . . . .	\$200,000
29	Multimodal Transportation Account—Federal	
30	Appropriation. . . . .	<del>((51,526,000))</del>
31		<u>\$83,733,000</u>
32	Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State	
33	Appropriation. . . . .	<del>((167,962,000))</del>
34		<u>\$169,567,000</u>
35	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	<del>((221,335,000))</del>
36		<u>\$255,147,000</u>

37 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
38 conditions and limitations:

1 (1) (~~(\$25,000,000)~~) \$27,005,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
2 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the clean  
3 alternative fuel vehicle charging and refueling infrastructure  
4 program described in RCW 47.04.350. Of this amount, \$2,005,000  
5 represents the reappropriation of amounts provided in the 2023-2025  
6 fiscal biennium for this purpose.

7 (2) \$125,851,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for a point-of-sale voucher  
9 incentive program, inclusive of costs for program administration and  
10 staffing, to encourage the faster adoption of zero-emission medium  
11 and heavy-duty vehicles to further state climate goals under RCW  
12 70A.45.020 and state equity goals under chapter 70A.02 RCW. The  
13 voucher incentive program must be administered by a third-party  
14 administrator that has experience administering voucher incentive  
15 programs, with oversight conducted by the department.

16 (a) The voucher program is required to be designed based on the  
17 recommendations of the Joint Transportation Committee report  
18 *Washington State Infrastructure and Incentive Program Design for MHD*  
19 *ZEVs*, and to include:

20 (i) Simplified zero-emission vehicle eligibility requirements;  
21 (ii) Vehicle and infrastructure incentives aligned with programs  
22 in other jurisdictions, where appropriate, to streamline user  
23 planning;

24 (iii) Financial enhancements for select populations based on  
25 equity considerations, including for vehicles in disadvantaged  
26 communities and vehicles to be purchased by small, minority-owned  
27 businesses, with consideration for support of the secondary vehicle  
28 market;

29 (iv) A centralized user and manufacturer portal for information,  
30 application, and assistance;

31 (v) A fleet assistance and qualification program to assist in  
32 zero-emission vehicle and infrastructure planning, to be administered  
33 by the Washington State University extension energy program in  
34 coordination with the department and the voucher program's third-  
35 party administrator; and

36 (vi) A voucher preapproval process to evaluate participant  
37 eligibility, readiness for fleet deployment, and infrastructure  
38 preparedness.

39 (b) The following battery electric and hydrogen fuel cell  
40 electric vehicle categories and associated charging, as well as

1 refueling infrastructure for these categories, are eligible for the  
2 voucher program, subject to additional qualification criteria to be  
3 determined by the department and the voucher program third-party  
4 administrator:

5 (i) On-road vehicles from class 2b, heavy work pickups and vans,  
6 through class 8, heavy tractor-trailer units and refuse trucks; and

7 (ii) Cargo handling and off-road equipment.

8 (c) School buses and transit vehicles eligible for state grant  
9 programs for the purchase of zero-emission vehicles are not eligible  
10 for vouchers under this program, but are eligible for fleet  
11 assistance provided in association with the voucher program, which  
12 must include assistance in determining state and federal grant  
13 eligibility for these vehicles.

14 (d) The voucher amounts selected by the department and voucher  
15 program third-party administrator must further the policy goals of  
16 the program cited in this subsection by offsetting investments  
17 required for medium and heavy-duty vehicle and equipment owners to  
18 transition to zero-emission vehicles and equipment. The department  
19 and voucher program third-party administrator must condition vehicle  
20 and infrastructure voucher funding to ensure these program policy  
21 goals are furthered through the voucher funding provided.

22 (e) Consistent with voucher program design, the department is  
23 required to distribute funds to the voucher program third-party  
24 administrator sufficiently in advance of final requirements for  
25 voucher distribution being met to facilitate the voucher's timely  
26 distribution by the third-party administrator to sellers of zero-  
27 emission vehicles and infrastructure.

28 (3) (~~((a) — \$14,986,000)~~) \$5,748,000 of the carbon emissions  
29 reduction account—state appropriation is provided solely (~~(for~~  
30 ~~grants, or to serve as a state match for secured federal funds, to~~  
31 ~~finance hydrogen refueling infrastructure and fueling stations for~~  
32 ~~medium and heavy-duty vehicles and up to two years of hydrogen~~  
33 ~~fueling station operational costs along corridors designated as~~  
34 ~~hydrogen corridors by the state or near or on transit agency, port,~~  
35 ~~or public utility district property, or finance hydrogen fuel cell~~  
36 ~~transportation infrastructure projects. The department, in~~  
37 ~~consultation with the interagency electric vehicle coordinating~~  
38 ~~council, should pursue any federal funding available through the~~  
39 ~~charging and fueling infrastructure discretionary grant program and~~  
40 ~~any other sources under the federal infrastructure investment and~~

1 ~~jobs act (P.L. 29 117-58), and other public or private funding~~  
2 ~~sources as necessary, to bring hydrogen fueling stations into~~  
3 ~~commercial operation.)~~ for the Squaxin Island Tribe for a hydrogen  
4 fueling station along a corridor designated as a hydrogen corridor by  
5 the state, and up to two years of hydrogen fueling station  
6 operational costs.

7 (4) \$5,748,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for the city of Seattle for a  
9 hydrogen fueling station along a corridor designated as a hydrogen  
10 corridor by the state, and up to two years of hydrogen fueling  
11 station operational costs.

12 (5) \$790,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely for state match funding for the west  
14 coast truck charging and fueling corridor project, funded through the  
15 federal charging and fueling infrastructure program, which includes  
16 the installation of one hydrogen fueling station along I-5.

17 ~~((b))~~ (6) \$2,500,000 ~~((of the amount provided in (a) of this~~  
18 ~~subsection))~~ of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely ~~((to))~~ for Community Transit for a  
20 hydrogen fuel cell demonstration project.

21 ~~((e))~~ (7) \$200,000 ~~((of the amount provided in (a) of this~~  
22 ~~subsection))~~ of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
23 appropriation is provided solely for hydrogen fuel cell demonstration  
24 projects that provide long term power equipment and fuel for traffic  
25 signals at critical intersections during emergencies involving power  
26 disruptions or shutoffs.

27 ~~((4) \$400,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state~~  
28 ~~appropriation is reappropriated and provided solely for the cities of~~  
29 ~~Bellevue and Redmond to each purchase an electric fire engine.~~

30 ~~(5))~~ (8) \$1,725,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—  
31 state appropriation is reappropriated and provided solely for a  
32 Tacoma Public Utilities medium-duty zero-emission utility service  
33 vehicle pilot project that includes charging infrastructure and  
34 mobile battery units.

35 ~~((6))~~ (9) \$890,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for implementation of chapter 417,  
37 Laws of 2025 (transportation resources). ~~((If chapter . . ., Laws of~~  
38 ~~2025 (Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 5801) is not enacted by~~  
39 ~~June 30, 2025, the amount provided in this subsection lapses.~~

1       ~~(7)~~ ~~\$8,342,000~~)       (10) \$10,080,000 of the multimodal  
 2 transportation account—federal appropriation is provided solely for  
 3 the electric vehicle charger reliability and accessibility  
 4 accelerator program for projects to support the repair or replacement  
 5 of existing broken or nonoperational publicly accessible chargers. Of  
 6 this amount, \$1,738,000 represents the reappropriation of amounts  
 7 provided in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium for this purpose.

8       ~~((8))~~ (11) \$3,164,000 of the multimodal transportation account—  
 9 federal appropriation is provided solely for funding for the west  
 10 coast charging and fueling corridor project for two medium and heavy-  
 11 duty vehicle electric vehicle charging station sites and one site  
 12 with a hydrogen refueling station along the I-5 corridor.

13       ~~((9))~~ (12) The department shall notify the transportation  
 14 committees of the legislature if approval of federal funding for  
 15 department activities under the national electric vehicle  
 16 infrastructure formula program, the electric vehicle charger  
 17 reliability and accessibility accelerator program, or the west coast  
 18 charging and fueling corridor project is permanently revoked.

19       **Sec. 215.** 2025 c 416 s 216 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
 20 follows:

21 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE—PROGRAM M**

22 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	<del>((571,090,000))</del>
	<u>\$572,120,000</u>
24 Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	\$7,000,000
25 Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$53,675,000
26 Puget Sound Gateway Facility Account—State	
27     Appropriation. . . . .	<del>((3,402,000))</del>
	<u>\$3,202,000</u>
29 RV Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,100,000
30 State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
31     Appropriation. . . . .	\$4,726,000
32 Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State	
33     Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,585,000
34 Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—	
35     State Appropriation. . . . .	\$10,752,000
36 Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express	
37     Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$2,624,000
38 <u>Preserve Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . . .</u>	<u>\$35,000,000</u>

1 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((\$655,954,000))  
2 \$691,784,000

3 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
4 conditions and limitations:

5 (1) \$5,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
6 is provided solely for a contingency pool for snow and ice removal.  
7 The department must notify the office of financial management and the  
8 transportation committees of the legislature when they have spent the  
9 base budget for snow and ice removal and will begin using the  
10 contingency pool funding.

11 (2) \$25,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
12 is provided solely for repair and replacement of traffic barriers  
13 including, but not limited to, low-speed concrete barriers, beam  
14 guardrails, steel-backed timber guardrails, and other systems  
15 necessary to fabricate, construct, and install traffic barriers to  
16 improve safety on state highway infrastructures.

17 (3) \$11,500,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
18 is provided solely for lane striping using (~~the most reflective~~  
19 ~~paint available to maximize the visibility of lane striping,~~  
20 ~~especially at night~~) materials that meet or exceed the federal  
21 minimum retro reflectivity requirements established in the Manual on  
22 Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) to ensure maximizing  
23 nighttime and low visibility lane-marking performance.

24 (4) (a) \$5,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for the department to address the  
26 risks to safety and public health associated with homeless  
27 encampments on department owned rights-of-way. The department must  
28 coordinate and work with local government officials and social  
29 service organizations who provide services and direct people to  
30 housing alternatives that are not in highway rights-of-way to help  
31 prevent future encampments from forming on highway rights-of-way and  
32 may reimburse the organizations doing this outreach assistance who  
33 transition people into treatment or housing or for debris clean up on  
34 highway rights-of-way. Of the amounts provided in this subsection, a  
35 minimum of \$2,000,000 must be used to deliver more frequent removal  
36 of litter on the highway rights-of-way that is generated by  
37 unsheltered people and may be used to hire crews specializing in  
38 collecting and disposing of garbage, clearing debris or hazardous  
39 material, and implementing safety improvements where hazards exist to

1 the traveling public and department employees. The department may use  
2 these funds to either reimburse local law enforcement costs or the  
3 Washington state patrol if they are providing enhanced safety to  
4 department staff during debris cleanup or during efforts to prevent  
5 future encampments from forming on highway rights-of-way.

6 (b) Beginning November 1, 2025, and semiannually thereafter, the  
7 Washington state patrol and the department of transportation must  
8 jointly submit a report to the governor and the transportation  
9 committees of the legislature on the status of these efforts,  
10 including:

11 (i) A summary of the activities related to addressing  
12 encampments, including information on arrangements with local  
13 governments or other entities related to these activities;

14 (ii) A description of the planned activities in the ensuing two  
15 quarters to further address the emergency hazards and risks along  
16 state highway rights-of-way; and

17 (iii) Recommendations for executive branch or legislative action  
18 to achieve the desired outcome of reduced emergency hazards and risks  
19 along state highway rights-of-way.

20 (5) \$1,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
21 is provided solely for a partnership program between the department  
22 and the city of Spokane, to be administered in conjunction with  
23 subsection (4) of this section. The program must address the safety  
24 and public health problems created by homeless encampments on the  
25 department's property along state highways within the city limits. Of  
26 the amounts provided in this subsection, \$555,000 is for dedicated  
27 department maintenance staff and associated clean-up costs. The  
28 department and the city of Spokane shall enter into a reimbursable  
29 agreement to cover up to \$445,000 of the city's expenses for clean-up  
30 crews and landfill costs.

31 (6) \$1,025,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
32 is provided solely for the department to implement safety  
33 improvements and debris clean up on department-owned rights-of-way in  
34 the city of Seattle at levels above that being implemented as of  
35 January 1, 2019, to be administered in conjunction with subsection  
36 (2) of this section. The department must maintain a crew dedicated  
37 solely to collecting and disposing of garbage, clearing debris or  
38 hazardous material, and implementing safety improvements where  
39 hazards exist to the traveling public, department employees, or  
40 people encamped upon department-owned rights-of-way. The department

1 may request assistance from the Washington state patrol as necessary  
2 in order for both agencies to provide enhanced safety-related  
3 activities regarding the emergency hazards along state highway  
4 rights-of-way in the Seattle area.

5 (7) \$1,015,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
6 is provided solely for a partnership program between the department  
7 and the city of Tacoma, to be administered in conjunction with  
8 subsection (4) of this section. The program must address the safety  
9 and public health problems created by homeless encampments on the  
10 department's property along state highways within the city limits. Of  
11 the amounts provided in this subsection, \$570,000 is for dedicated  
12 department maintenance staff and associated clean-up costs. The  
13 department and the city of Tacoma shall enter into a reimbursable  
14 agreement to cover up to \$445,000 of the city's expenses for clean-up  
15 crews and landfill costs.

16 (8) \$3,675,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
17 is provided solely for initial and ongoing implementation costs of  
18 the department's Snoqualmie winter operations study recommendations,  
19 which include installation of large regulatory signs, installation of  
20 a remote avalanche control system, developing chain enforcement  
21 processes in coordination with the Washington state patrol, improving  
22 cost recovery from violators, and securing an on-call class C towing  
23 company.

24 (9) \$2,000,000 of the Alaskan Way viaduct replacement project  
25 account—state appropriation is provided solely for maintenance  
26 activities in the vicinity of the state route number 99 deep bore  
27 tunnel in preparation for, and during, the 2026 World Cup.  
28 Appropriations in this subsection assume additional revenue from a  
29 temporary toll rate adjustment on the state route number 99 tunnel  
30 leading up to and during the 2026 World Cup.

31 (10)(a) \$1,200,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
32 appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with  
33 the city of Fife to address the risks to safety and public health  
34 associated with homeless encampments on department-owned rights-of-  
35 way along the SR 167/SR 509 Puget Sound Gateway project corridor in  
36 and adjacent to the city limits.

37 (b) The city must coordinate and work with the department and  
38 local governments and social service organizations who provide  
39 services and direct people to housing alternatives that are not in

1 highway rights-of-way to help prevent future encampments from forming  
2 on highway rights-of-way. State funds may be used to reimburse the  
3 organizations doing this outreach assistance who transition people  
4 into treatment or housing that is not on the rights-of-way or for  
5 debris clean up on highway rights-of-way.

6 (c) The department may hire crews specializing in collecting and  
7 disposing of garbage, clearing debris or hazardous material, and  
8 implementing safety improvements where hazards exist to the traveling  
9 public and department employees.

10 (d) Funds may also be used to reimburse local law enforcement  
11 costs or the Washington state patrol if they are participating as  
12 part of a state or local government agreement to provide enhanced  
13 safety related activities along state highway rights-of-way.

14 (e) It is the intent of the legislature that the city and  
15 collaborating partners should place particular emphasis on utilizing  
16 available funds for addressing large scale and multiple homeless  
17 encampments that impact public safety and health. Funding for  
18 initiatives associated with such encampments may include targeted  
19 assistance to local governments and social service organizations,  
20 directing moneys toward not only initial efforts to clear  
21 encampments, clean up debris and restore sightlines, but to ongoing  
22 work, monitoring, and maintenance of efforts to place individuals in  
23 housing, treatment, and services, and to better ensure individuals  
24 experiencing homelessness receive needed assistance while sites  
25 remain safe and secure for the traveling public.

26 (11) \$180,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
27 provided solely for graffiti mitigation operations using spray drone  
28 technology.

29 (12) \$35,000,000 of the preserve Washington account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for supporting essential maintenance  
31 activities necessary for timely repairs, adequate equipment and  
32 materials, and the reliable operation of Washington's transportation  
33 system.

34 **Sec. 216.** 2025 c 416 s 217 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
35 follows:

36 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS—**  
37 **PROGRAM Q—OPERATING**

38 Highway Safety Fund—State Appropriation. . . . . \$10,621,000

1	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$88,980,000</del> ))
2		<u>\$90,928,000</u>
3	Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$2,088,000</del> ))
4		<u>\$2,087,000</u>
5	Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$294,000
6	Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$8,124,000
7	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
8	Appropriation. . . . .	\$5,000,000
9	State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
10	Appropriation. . . . .	\$247,000
11	Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State	
12	Appropriation. . . . .	\$44,000
13	Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—	
14	State Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,122,000
15	Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express	
16	Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$36,000
17	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$116,556,000</del> ))
18		<u>\$118,503,000</u>

19 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
20 conditions and limitations:

21 (1) (a) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the department shall  
22 continue a pilot program that expands private transportation  
23 providers' access to high occupancy vehicle lanes. Under the pilot  
24 program, when the department reserves a portion of a highway based on  
25 the number of passengers in a vehicle, the following vehicles must be  
26 authorized to use the reserved portion of the highway if the vehicle  
27 has the capacity to carry eight or more passengers, regardless of the  
28 number of passengers in the vehicle: (i) Auto transportation company  
29 vehicles regulated under chapter 81.68 RCW; (ii) passenger charter  
30 carrier vehicles regulated under chapter 81.70 RCW, except marked or  
31 unmarked stretch limousines and stretch sport utility vehicles as  
32 defined under department of licensing rules; (iii) private nonprofit  
33 transportation provider vehicles regulated under chapter 81.66 RCW;  
34 and (iv) private employer transportation service vehicles. For  
35 purposes of this subsection, "private employer transportation  
36 service" means regularly scheduled, fixed-route transportation  
37 service that is offered by an employer for the benefit of its  
38 employees. Nothing in this subsection is intended to authorize the  
39 conversion of public infrastructure to private, for-profit purposes

1 or to otherwise create an entitlement or other claim by private users  
2 to public infrastructure.

3 (b) The department shall expand the high occupancy vehicle lane  
4 access pilot program to vehicles that deliver or collect blood,  
5 tissue, or blood components for a blood-collecting or distributing  
6 establishment regulated under chapter 70.335 RCW. Under the pilot  
7 program, when the department reserves a portion of a highway based on  
8 the number of passengers in a vehicle, blood-collecting or  
9 distributing establishment vehicles that are clearly and identifiably  
10 marked as such on all sides of the vehicle are considered emergency  
11 vehicles and must be authorized to use the reserved portion of the  
12 highway.

13 (c) The department shall expand the high occupancy vehicle lane  
14 access pilot program to for hire nonemergency medical transportation  
15 vehicles, when in use for medical purposes, as described in section  
16 208(20), chapter 472, Laws of 2023. Under the pilot program, when the  
17 department reserves a portion of a highway based on the number of  
18 passengers in a vehicle, nonemergency medical transportation vehicles  
19 that meet the requirements identified in section 208(20), chapter  
20 472, Laws of 2023 must be authorized to use the reserved portion of  
21 the highway.

22 (d) The department shall expand the high occupancy vehicle lane  
23 access pilot program to private, for hire vehicles regulated under  
24 chapter 81.72 RCW that have been specially manufactured, designed, or  
25 modified for the transportation of a person who has a mobility  
26 disability and uses a wheelchair or other assistive device. Under the  
27 pilot program, when the department reserves a portion of a highway  
28 based on the number of passengers in a vehicle, wheelchair-accessible  
29 taxicabs that are clearly and identifiably marked as such on all  
30 sides of the vehicle are considered public transportation vehicles  
31 and must be authorized to use the reserved portion of the highway.

32 (e) Nothing in this subsection is intended to exempt these  
33 vehicles from paying tolls when they do not meet the occupancy  
34 requirements established by the department for express toll lanes.

35 (2) The appropriations in this section assume implementation of  
36 additional cost recovery mechanisms to recoup at least \$100,000 in  
37 credit card and other financial transaction costs related to the  
38 collection of fees imposed under RCW 46.17.400, 46.44.090, and  
39 46.44.0941 for driver and vehicle fee transactions beginning January

1 1, 2023. The department may recover transaction fees incurred through  
2 credit card transactions.

3 (3) \$10,621,000 of the highway safety account—state appropriation  
4 is provided solely for implementation of chapter 17, Laws of 2023  
5 (speed safety cameras). Pursuant to the reporting requirements of RCW  
6 46.63.200(10), the department, in collaboration with the Washington  
7 state patrol and the Washington traffic safety commission, must  
8 report to the transportation committees of the legislature by July 1,  
9 2027, on the data and efficacy of speed safety camera system use in  
10 state highway work zones. A preliminary report on the pilot  
11 activities is due to the transportation committees of the legislature  
12 by December 1, 2025, and must include, but is not limited to: (a) The  
13 number of deployments and locations of the speed safety cameras, (b)  
14 staffing workload, (c) number of violations issued, (d) detailed  
15 expenses incurred by each agency in the pilot, and (e) efficiency  
16 measures each agency has taken in operating the pilot program in the  
17 most cost-effective manner possible.

18 (4) \$1,279,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
19 is provided solely for maintenance and operations of the virtual  
20 coordination center. The department is encouraged to apply for  
21 federal grant funds for the virtual coordination center and may use  
22 state funds as a match. By December 1, 2026, the department shall  
23 report to the transportation committees of the legislature: (a)  
24 Recommendations to expand the center's operations, including specific  
25 additional jurisdictions and corridors across the state; and (b)  
26 amounts received and dates of receipt of any new cash and in-kind  
27 matches from virtual coordination center partners including, but not  
28 limited to, the city of Seattle, King county, other state and local  
29 jurisdictions, and private sector partners.

30 (5) \$1,900,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
31 is reappropriated and provided solely for the department, in  
32 coordination with the independent review team of the joint  
33 transportation committee, to conduct an analysis of highway, road,  
34 and freight rail transportation needs, options, and impacts from  
35 shifting the movement of freight and goods that currently move by  
36 barge through the lower Snake river dams to highways, other roads,  
37 and rail, consistent with section 217(9), chapter 310, Laws of 2024.  
38 The department shall provide status updates on a quarterly basis in  
39 coordination with the joint transportation committee. The department

1 must submit a final report to the governor and the transportation  
2 committees of the legislature by December 31, 2026.

3 (6) \$4,000,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
4 is provided solely for transportation operations activities to help  
5 keep people and goods moving during the 2026 World Cup. These  
6 activities include, but are not limited to, transportation management  
7 center operations and upgrades, additional incident response team  
8 coverage, trail crossing improvements, and updated guide signage/  
9 wayfinding.

10 (7) \$5,000,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for the department to address  
12 emergent issues related to safety for pedestrians and bicyclists.  
13 Funds may only be spent after approval from the office of financial  
14 management. By December 15th of each odd-numbered year, the  
15 department shall provide a report to the legislature listing all  
16 emergent issues addressed in the prior fiscal biennium.

17 (8) The department is encouraged to erect wayfinding signs along  
18 northbound and southbound Interstate 5 identifying routes to Paine  
19 Field airport.

20 (9) \$6,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
21 is provided solely for low-cost enhancements. The department shall  
22 give priority to low-cost enhancement projects that improve safety or  
23 provide congestion relief. The department must identify low-cost  
24 enhancement projects that could substantially fulfill safety  
25 improvements before proceeding on full project scope designs and  
26 engineering. Low-cost enhancements may include, but are not limited  
27 to, new signage, rumble strips, speed bumps, flashing crosswalk  
28 lights, lowering speed limits, lane narrowing via traffic calming,  
29 and other safety improvements. By December 15th of each odd-numbered  
30 year, the department shall provide a report to the legislature  
31 listing all low-cost enhancement projects completed in the prior  
32 fiscal biennium.

33 (10) The department shall promote safety messages encouraging  
34 drivers to slow down and move over and pay attention when emergency  
35 lights are flashing on the side of the road and other suitable safety  
36 messages on electronic message boards the department operates across  
37 the state. The messages must be promoted through June 30, 2027. The  
38 department may coordinate such messaging with any statewide public

1 awareness campaigns being developed by the department of licensing or  
2 the Washington state traffic safety commission, or both.

3 (11) \$1,050,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
4 is provided solely for Washington's share of efforts to mitigate  
5 collision risk at the Lewis and Clark and Astoria-Megler bridges,  
6 including a vessel collision risk assessment, installation of an air  
7 gap sensor, and expansion of the virtual coordination center.

8 **Sec. 217.** 2025 c 416 s 218 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
9 follows:

10 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AND**  
11 **SUPPORT—PROGRAM S**

12	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	((\$45,218,000))
13		<u>\$48,253,000</u>
14	Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	\$780,000
15	Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$500,000
16	Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$3,650,000
17	Move Ahead WA Flexible Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$5,400,000
18	Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account—State	
19	Appropriation. . . . .	\$510,000
20	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
21	Appropriation. . . . .	((\$7,920,000))
22		<u>\$12,079,000</u>
23	State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
24	Appropriation. . . . .	\$220,000
25	Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State	
26	Appropriation. . . . .	\$136,000
27	Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—	
28	State Appropriation. . . . .	\$127,000
29	Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express	
30	Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$114,000
31	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	((\$64,575,000))
32		<u>\$71,769,000</u>

33 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
34 conditions and limitations:

35 (1) (a) \$2,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
36 appropriation and \$5,400,000 of the move ahead WA account—state  
37 appropriation are provided solely for efforts to increase diversity  
38 in the transportation construction workforce through:

1 (i) The preapprenticeship support services (PASS) and career  
2 opportunity maritime preapprenticeship support services (COMPASS)  
3 programs, which aim to increase diversity in the highway construction  
4 and maritime workforces and prepare individuals interested in  
5 entering the highway construction and maritime workforces. In  
6 addition to the services allowed under RCW 47.01.435, the PASS and  
7 COMPASS programs may provide housing assistance for youth aging out  
8 of the foster care and juvenile rehabilitation systems to support  
9 their participation in a transportation-related preapprenticeship  
10 program and support services to obtain necessary maritime documents  
11 and coast guard certification; and

12 (ii) Assisting minority and women-owned businesses to perform  
13 work in the highway construction industry.

14 (b) The department shall report every even-numbered year to the  
15 transportation committees of the legislature on efforts to increase  
16 diversity in the transportation construction workforce.

17 (c) The office of equity and civil rights may revise program  
18 standards, as needed, with legislative consultation.

19 (2) \$1,512,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
20 and \$488,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
21 appropriation are provided solely for monitoring, assistance,  
22 engagement, reporting, and other activities consistent with section  
23 218(2), chapter 310, Laws of 2024.

24 (3) \$3,650,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
25 is provided solely for activities to help keep people and goods  
26 moving during the 2026 World Cup. These activities include, but are  
27 not limited to, digital advertising for traveler information, Title  
28 VI compliance and language access, and Americans with disabilities  
29 act compliance and training.

30 (4) The department's office of equity and civil rights and the  
31 office of minority and women's business enterprises must develop two  
32 new business-size thresholds within the office's certification  
33 program. The two new thresholds must include emerging small  
34 businesses and rising small businesses with gross receipts of no more  
35 than (a) \$3,000,000 and (b) \$10,000,000. This work must include  
36 evaluation of all state-funded contracts over \$50,000,000 for  
37 emerging small business goals, rising small business goals, small  
38 business goals, or any combination thereof. The office of equity and  
39 civil rights and the office of minority and women's business

1 enterprises must submit a report to the office of financial  
2 management and the transportation committees of the legislature by  
3 November 1, 2025, on this work and any recommendations on next steps.

4 (5) Within amounts provided in this section, a maximum of \$75,000  
5 is for the department's office of equity and civil rights to contract  
6 with Western Washington University to analyze the economic benefit of  
7 utilizing small businesses on department projects to the Washington  
8 state economy.

9 (6) For department small works roster projects under RCW  
10 39.04.151, the department may only allow firms certified as public  
11 works small business enterprises, under RCW 39.19.030, to bid on the  
12 project contract, unless the department determines there would be  
13 insufficient bidders for a particular project. The department shall  
14 report on the effectiveness of this policy to the transportation  
15 committees of the legislature by December 1, 2026.

16 (7) (~~(\$6,791,000)~~) \$10,950,000 of the multimodal transportation  
17 account—state appropriation (~~(is)~~) and \$3,075,000 of the motor  
18 vehicle account—state appropriation are provided solely for the  
19 department to complete the transportation reporting and accounting  
20 information system to the current cloud version of the software and  
21 are subject to the conditions, limitations, and review requirements  
22 of section 701 of this act.

23 **Sec. 218.** 2025 c 416 s 219 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
24 follows:

25 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, DATA,**  
26 **AND RESEARCH—PROGRAM T**

27 Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express

28 Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,500,000
29 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	( <del>(\$32,682,000)</del> )
30	<u>\$32,867,000</u>
31 Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	( <del>(\$43,115,000)</del> )
32	<u>\$43,873,000</u>
33 Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$400,000
34 Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$6,900,000
35 Move Ahead WA Flexible Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$6,348,000
36 Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
37 Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,489,000
38 Multimodal Transportation Account—Federal	

1	Appropriation. . . . .	\$2,816,000
2	Multimodal Transportation Account—Private/Local	
3	Appropriation. . . . .	\$100,000
4	State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
5	Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$657,000)</del>
6		<u>\$400,000</u>
7	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	<del>(\$96,007,000)</del>
8		<u>\$96,693,000</u>

9 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
10 conditions and limitations:

11 (1) \$1,557,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
12 is provided solely for the department to upgrade the department's  
13 linear referencing system (LRS) and highway performance monitoring  
14 system (HPMS).

15 (2) \$5,400,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
16 and the entire move ahead WA flexible account—state appropriation are  
17 provided solely for Interstate 5 planning. The work under this  
18 subsection must include, but is not limited to, the following:

- 19 (a) Continued development of an Interstate 5 master plan;
- 20 (b) Advancing seismic vulnerability analyses;
- 21 (c) An interim report on the progress of the Interstate 5 master  
22 plan to the transportation committees of the legislature and the  
23 office of financial management by June 30, 2026; and
- 24 (d) An assessment of Interstate 5 on-ramps in the core area of  
25 the interstate system from the Pierce county line in Federal Way to  
26 state route number 531/Smokey Point boulevard in Arlington to  
27 evaluate installing new meters or revising high occupancy vehicle  
28 bypasses at existing meters and prioritize locations for ramp meter  
29 installations or high occupancy vehicle bypass conversions.

30 (3) \$140,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
31 appropriation is reappropriated and provided solely for the city of  
32 Seattle's office of planning and community development to continue to  
33 support an equitable development initiative to reconnect the South  
34 Park neighborhood, currently divided by state route number 99,  
35 consistent with section 219(4), chapter 310, Laws of 2024. The city  
36 must provide a final report that includes recommendations by June 30,  
37 2027.

38 (4) Consistent with RCW 47.04.280(1)(d), when the department  
39 submits the attainment report required under RCW 47.04.285, it shall

1 visually display statewide annual hours of travel delay by displaying  
2 data within each major corridor, to the extent practicable.

3 (5) \$1,500,000 of the Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167  
4 express toll lanes account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
5 the department to develop an implementation plan for state route  
6 number 167 that builds on the SR 167 master plan completed in June  
7 2023. The SR 167 implementation plan must include, but is not limited  
8 to, high-level engineering and cost estimating work necessary to  
9 update the I-405/SR 167 corridor funding and phasing report that  
10 needs to be completed to advance priority project components  
11 developed in the SR 167 master plan. The SR 167 implementation plan  
12 with recommendations is due to the transportation committees of the  
13 legislature by December 1, 2026.

14 (6) \$4,620,000 of the motor vehicle account—federal appropriation  
15 is provided solely for work on the road usage charge research project  
16 overseen by the Washington state transportation commission using  
17 amounts of the federal grant award.

18 (7) The department shall continue to coordinate planning work  
19 focused on the transportation system in western Washington across  
20 modes with the goal of maximizing system performance toward the  
21 policy goals in RCW 47.04.280 in the most cost-effective manner. This  
22 coordination must include, but is not limited to: The Interstate 5  
23 highway corridor, existing rail infrastructure and future high-speed  
24 rail alignment, and commercial aviation capacity. The department must  
25 report on the status of these planning efforts including, but not  
26 limited to, a long-term strategy for addressing resilience of the  
27 transportation system in western Washington through consideration of  
28 changing demand, modal integration, and preservation needs. The  
29 coordinated work must include an analysis of different alternatives  
30 to promote system resilience, including performance and cost of each  
31 scenario. The report is due to the joint transportation committee by  
32 November 1, 2025.

33 (8) \$1,500,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
34 is provided solely for the department to develop a corridor vision  
35 and implementation plan that identifies improvement options to  
36 address safety and multimodal mobility needs on the state route  
37 number 164 corridor from Dogwood Street East in Auburn to High Point  
38 Street in Enumclaw. The department must submit a report to the office  
39 of financial management and the transportation committees of the

1 legislature with recommended safety and multimodal infrastructure  
2 improvements by June 30, 2027.

3 (9) (~~(\$657,000)~~) \$400,000 of the state route number 520 corridor  
4 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
5 contract with the University of Washington department of mechanical  
6 engineering, to further study measures to reduce noise impacts from  
7 the state route number 520 bridge expansion joints. (~~The field~~  
8 ~~testing shall be scheduled during existing construction, maintenance,~~  
9 ~~or other scheduled closures to minimize impacts. The testing must~~  
10 ~~also ensure safety of the traveling public. The study shall examine~~  
11 ~~the types and durability of the materials used to provide noise~~  
12 ~~mitigation and the costs associated with the differing types of~~  
13 ~~materials. A draft report~~)) To address the safety of the traveling  
14 public and mitigate for potential joint damage, the study must  
15 include laboratory-based testing of a highly durable sound  
16 attenuation system based on the system developed in the WSDOT Modular  
17 Bridge Expansion Joints - Phase 2 study. A draft report, including  
18 test results and recommendations describing and identifying the  
19 duration of future studies, must be submitted to the transportation  
20 committees of the legislature and the governor by (~~March~~) October  
21 1, 2026. A final report must be submitted to the transportation  
22 committees of the legislature and the governor by December 31, 2026.

23 (10) \$200,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
24 provided solely for the department to conduct a feasibility study to  
25 determine the optimal location for an essential public facility at  
26 exit 34 off Interstate 90 in North Bend in accordance with RCW  
27 26.70A.200 and 47.06.140. The facility shall include the King County  
28 Readiness Center, Interstate 90 and Highway 18 truck parking, and a  
29 regional Washington State Patrol office and weigh station in the exit  
30 34 area of the city of North Bend. The department shall conduct the  
31 feasibility study with the Washington State Patrol in consultation  
32 with King County, the Washington State Military Department, the  
33 Snoqualmie Indian Tribe, and the city of North Bend within a time  
34 frame that accommodates the relocation and funding schedule of the  
35 Washington State Military Department for the King County Readiness  
36 Center. The department and the Washington State Patrol must report  
37 the findings of the feasibility study to the office of financial  
38 management and the transportation committees of the legislature by  
39 June 30, 2027.

1       (11) Within existing resources, the department shall complete an  
2 analysis of bridge strikes in Washington state within the last three  
3 years and of best practices of interventions utilized by other  
4 jurisdictions. By September 1, 2026, the department shall develop and  
5 submit recommendations to reduce the number of bridge strikes.  
6 Recommendations should include potential improvements to physical  
7 infrastructure; location, type, and height of posted warning signage;  
8 information and training campaigns for drivers; and scalable options  
9 for costs for each recommendation.

10       **Sec. 219.** 2025 c 416 s 220 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
11 follows:

12 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—CHARGES FROM OTHER AGENCIES—**  
13 **PROGRAM U**

14	Aeronautics Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$7,000
15	Transportation Partnership Account—State	
16	Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$147,000)</del>
17		<u>\$205,000</u>
18	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$103,363,000)</del>
19		<u>\$157,451,000</u>
20	Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account—State	
21	Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$1,120,000)</del>
22		<u>\$1,683,000</u>
23	State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
24	Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$86,000)</del>
25		<u>\$92,000</u>
26	Connecting Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$1,180,000)</del>
27		<u>\$1,649,000</u>
28	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
29	Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$5,835,000)</del>
30		<u>\$9,432,000</u>
31	Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State	
32	Appropriation. . . . .	\$51,000
33	Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—	
34	State Appropriation. . . . .	\$38,000
35	Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express	
36	Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	<del>(\$66,000)</del>
37		<u>\$72,000</u>
38	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	<del>(\$111,893,000)</del>

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

(1) Consistent with existing protocol and practices, for any negotiations that could result in a settlement of a claim against the state for the department that exceeds \$5,000,000, the department, in conjunction with the attorney general and the department of enterprise services, shall notify the director of the office of financial management and the transportation committees of the legislature.

(2) On August 1, 2025, and semiannually thereafter, the department, in conjunction with the attorney general and the department of enterprise services, shall provide a report with judgments and settlements dealing with the Washington state ferry system to the director of the office of financial management and the transportation committees of the legislature. The report must include information on: (a) The number of claims and settlements by type; (b) the average claim and settlement by type; (c) defense costs associated with those claims and settlements; and (d) information on the impacts of moving legal costs associated with the Washington state ferry system into the statewide self-insurance pool.

(3) On August 1, 2025, and semiannually thereafter, the department, in conjunction with the attorney general and the department of enterprise services, shall provide a report with judgments and settlements dealing with the nonferry operations of the department to the director of the office of financial management and the transportation committees of the legislature. The report must include information on: (a) The number of claims and settlements by type; (b) the average claim and settlement by type; and (c) defense costs associated with those claims and settlements.

(4) When the department identifies significant legal issues that have potential transportation budget implications, the department must initiate a briefing for appropriate legislative members or staff through the office of the attorney general and its legislative briefing protocol.

(5) \$1,931,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is provided solely for additional costs associated with the planned consolidation of staff at a variety of facilities in Thurston county. As part of the request, the department must submit a comprehensive

1 consolidation plan that does not include new space and that  
2 identifies the best use of existing state owned or leased space,  
3 developed in conjunction with the department of enterprise services  
4 and the office of financial management, that details the planned  
5 action steps and timeline to achieve the office and administrative  
6 space efficiency as detailed in recent reports identifying  
7 opportunities for savings and cost avoidance while prioritizing  
8 employee safety. Beginning July 1, 2026, and semiannually thereafter,  
9 the department must provide a report on the progress in meeting the  
10 outcomes specified in the comprehensive consolidation plan to the  
11 office of financial management and the transportation committees of  
12 the legislature.

13       **Sec. 220.** 2025 c 416 s 221 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
14 follows:

15 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION—PROGRAM V**

16	Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State	
17	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$275,545,000</del> ))
18		<u>\$276,498,000</u>
19	State Vehicle Parking Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$784,000
20	Rural Mobility Grant Program Account—State	
21	Appropriation. . . . .	\$32,223,000
22	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
23	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$101,683,000</del> ))
24		<u>\$105,379,000</u>
25	Multimodal Transportation Account—Federal	
26	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$4,459,000</del> ))
27		<u>\$4,457,000</u>
28	Multimodal Transportation Account—Private/Local	
29	Appropriation. . . . .	\$100,000
30	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$414,794,000</del> ))
31		<u>\$419,441,000</u>

32       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
33 conditions and limitations:

34       (1) (a) \$62,698,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
35 appropriation and ((~~\$78,525,000~~)) \$79,077,000 of the carbon emissions  
36 reduction account—state appropriation are provided solely for a grant  
37 program for special needs transportation distributed in accordance  
38 with RCW 47.66.150. Fuel type may not be a factor in the grant

1 selection process. For grant awards not yet under contract, as a  
2 condition of special needs transportation grants provided pursuant to  
3 this subsection, public transportation agencies may not delay,  
4 divert, supplant, or suspend the collection of approved local sales  
5 and use taxes for the purpose of public transportation during the  
6 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

7 (b) (~~(\$425,000)~~) Of the amounts provided in this subsection (1),  
8 \$977,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for the reappropriation of amounts  
10 provided for this purpose in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.

11 (2) The department shall not require more than a 10 percent match  
12 from nonprofit transportation providers for state grants.

13 (3) \$1,124,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for the department to provide a  
15 statewide vanpool benefit for all state employees. For department  
16 employees working in remote job sites, such as mountain passes, the  
17 department must ensure employees are able to access job sites via a  
18 subsidized vanpool or provide a modal alternative for the "last mile"  
19 to ensure employees can access the job site without additional  
20 charge.

21 (4) \$500,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely for an interagency transfer to the  
23 Washington State University extension energy program to administer a  
24 technical assistance and education program for public agencies on the  
25 use of alternative fuel vehicles. The Washington State University  
26 extension energy program shall prepare a report regarding the  
27 utilization of the program and submit this report to the  
28 transportation committees of the legislature by November 15, 2025.

29 (5) \$32,223,000 of the rural mobility grant program account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for grants to aid small cities in  
31 rural areas as prescribed in RCW 47.66.100. Fuel type may not be a  
32 factor in the grant selection process. For grant awards not yet under  
33 contract, as a condition of rural mobility transportation grants  
34 provided pursuant to this subsection, public transportation agencies  
35 may not delay, divert, supplant, or suspend the collection of  
36 approved local sales and use taxes for the purpose of public  
37 transportation during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

38 (6) \$3,300,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
39 appropriation, \$5,700,000 of the multimodal transportation account—

1 state appropriation, and \$784,000 of the state vehicle parking  
2 account—state appropriation are provided solely for CTR grants and  
3 activities. Fuel type may not be a factor in the grant selection  
4 process. For grant awards not yet under contract, as a condition of  
5 CTR grants provided pursuant to this subsection, public  
6 transportation agencies may not delay, divert, supplant, or suspend  
7 the collection of approved local sales and use taxes for the purpose  
8 of public transportation during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

9 (7) (~~(\$188,900,000)~~) \$189,301,000 of the carbon emissions  
10 reduction account—state appropriation is provided solely for transit  
11 support grants. The department must confirm zero-fare policies are in  
12 effect at transit agencies to be eligible for biennial distributions.  
13 For grant awards not yet under contract, as a condition of transit  
14 support grants provided pursuant to this subsection, public  
15 transportation agencies may not delay, divert, supplant, or suspend  
16 the collection of approved local sales and use taxes for the purpose  
17 of public transportation during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium. The  
18 Legislature finds that a voter-approved phased-in reauthorization of  
19 existing sales tax authority that maintains current levels of service  
20 hours, does not constitute a delay or suspension of voter-approved  
21 taxes under RCW 47.66.140.

22 (8) \$3,400,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
23 appropriation is reappropriated and provided solely for the pilot  
24 program established under RCW 47.04.355 to provide clean alternative  
25 fuel vehicle use opportunities to underserved communities and low to  
26 moderate-income members of the workforce not readily served by  
27 transit or located in transportation corridors with emissions that  
28 exceed federal or state emissions standards.

29 (9) \$900,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely for the department to implement  
31 certain recommendations from the 2023 frequent transit service study.  
32 The department shall define levels and types of demand-response  
33 service and measure access to these services within Washington for  
34 the purpose of gaining a fuller picture of transit access. The  
35 department must collect ongoing transportation data and develop  
36 systems to allow for analysis of disparities in access to existing  
37 fixed route transit. The data collection should prioritize collecting  
38 information on accessibility and inclusion of people with  
39 disabilities, vulnerable populations in overburdened communities, and

1 other underserved communities. The department shall submit a report  
2 on data collection efforts to the transportation committees of the  
3 legislature and the office of financial management by June 30, 2026.

4 (10) \$9,000,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
5 appropriation is provided solely for grants to transit agencies for  
6 enhanced services between June 1, 2026, and July 30, 2026.

7 (a) Enhanced services consist of:

8 (i) Increased frequency on regular routes, creating temporary  
9 shuttle services, enhancing on-demand services, increasing frequency  
10 of water taxi services, and supporting incentives to encourage  
11 transit use; and

12 (ii) Enhancing customer experience by temporarily increasing  
13 operations, cleanliness, rider communications, wayfinding, and safety  
14 and security.

15 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, the department  
16 must distribute:

17 (i) Forty percent to King County metro;

18 (ii) ~~((Twenty))~~ Forty percent to public transportation benefit  
19 areas and regional transit authorities operating in the four counties  
20 making up the largest regional transportation planning organization  
21 in the state, distributed proportionally based on agency service  
22 hours; and

23 (iii) Twenty percent to other public transit agencies operating  
24 in cities named by a World Cup organizing committee to host fan  
25 zones, excluding agencies already included in (b)(ii) of this  
26 subsection, distributed proportionally based on agency service hours.

27 (c) Agencies must submit their planned expenditures to the  
28 department and the Washington state transit association for review by  
29 December 1, 2025. If any agency does not submit a plan to enhance  
30 services consistent with (a) of this subsection, the department must  
31 redistribute funding to other transit agencies using the distribution  
32 in (b) of this subsection.

33 (11) \$10,000,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
34 appropriation is provided solely for King county metro as part of a  
35 federal funds exchange pilot. Amounts provided in this subsection  
36 must be held in unallotted status until notification has been  
37 received by the department's public transportation division from  
38 Washington state ferries that the conditions outlined in section  
39 222(13) ~~((of this act))~~, chapter 416, Laws of 2025 have been met. The  
40 pilot must be conducted in coordination with the Puget Sound regional

1 council, who has programming authority for the federal funds to be  
2 exchanged. By January 15, 2026, King county metro must report to the  
3 office of financial management and the transportation committees of  
4 the legislature a summary of projects funded or planned to be funded,  
5 and recommendations for continuation of the federal funds exchange  
6 pilot through the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, including additional  
7 amounts eligible to be exchanged.

8 (12) (~~(\$350,000)~~) \$590,000 of the multimodal transportation  
9 account—state appropriation is provided solely for Pierce county to  
10 support public transportation services on the Key Peninsula.

11 (13) \$950,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
12 appropriation is provided solely for RiverCities Transit to operate  
13 weekday transit service from Longview to Vancouver.

14 (14) \$5,000,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for intercity bus expansion in  
16 preparation for the 2026 World Cup. The department must report to the  
17 transportation committees of the legislature and the office of  
18 financial management annually on each January 15th with expansion  
19 status and performance updates.

20 (15) The legislature intends in the 2027-2029 biennial budget and  
21 beyond to fully restore the multimodal transportation account funding  
22 for transportation demand management programs to levels that match  
23 2025-2027 biennial appropriations.

24 (16) (a) (i) \$3,120,000 of the multimodal transportation account—  
25 state appropriation is provided solely for King county metro to  
26 implement affordable transit pass pilot programs at local community  
27 and technical colleges, as defined in RCW 28B.50.030, that do not  
28 currently operate affordable transit pass programs. At a minimum, the  
29 pilot programs must make affordable transit passes available to all  
30 students enrolled in a degree-seeking or certificate-seeking program  
31 or an inclusive postsecondary education program at participating  
32 institutions, including free or reduced-fare passes for students who  
33 qualify.

34 (ii) King county metro must include Highline Community College as  
35 one of the participating institutions.

36 (iii) No more than \$120,000 of this amount may be used for  
37 administrative and program implementation costs.

38 (b) \$200,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
39 appropriation is provided solely for Kitsap transit to implement

1 affordable transit pass pilot programs consistent with (a)(i) of this  
2 subsection (16).

3 (c) By January 30, 2027, King County metro and Kitsap transit  
4 must jointly provide a report to the office of financial management  
5 and the transportation committees of the legislature. The report must  
6 include details on program implementation, student participation  
7 levels, fare subsidy structures, and recommendations for continuation  
8 or expansion of the pilot programs in the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium.

9 **Sec. 221.** 2025 c 416 s 222 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—MARINE—PROGRAM X**

12 Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account—State	
13 Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$643,803,000</del> ))
14	<u>\$646,346,000</u>
15 Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account—Federal	
16 Appropriation. . . . .	\$126,642,000
17 Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account—Private/Local	
18 Appropriation. . . . .	\$121,000
19 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$770,566,000</del> ))
20	<u>\$773,109,000</u>

21 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
22 conditions and limitations:

23 (1) The office of financial management budget instructions  
24 require agencies to recast enacted budgets into activities. The  
25 Washington state ferries shall include a greater level of detail in  
26 its 2025-2027 supplemental and 2027-2029 omnibus transportation  
27 appropriations act requests, as determined jointly by the office of  
28 financial management, the Washington state ferries, and the  
29 transportation committees of the legislature. This level of detail  
30 must include the administrative functions in the operating as well as  
31 capital programs. The data in the tables in the report must be  
32 supplied in a digital file format.

33 (2) (a) \$74,374,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—  
34 federal appropriation and \$45,523,000 of the Puget Sound ferry  
35 operations account—state appropriation are provided solely for auto  
36 ferry vessel operating fuel in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium. The  
37 amount provided in this subsection represents the fuel budget for the  
38 purposes of calculating any ferry fare fuel surcharge.

1 (b) The Washington state ferries must develop a renewable diesel  
2 demonstration project for a representative group of diesel vessels.  
3 By September 15, 2026, Washington state ferries must submit findings  
4 and recommendations to the office of financial management and the  
5 transportation committees of legislature that includes, but is not  
6 limited to, performance results of the demonstration project,  
7 recommendations for renewable diesel usage across the fleet, and  
8 possible procurement options for renewable diesel.

9 (3) During negotiations of the 2027-2029 collective bargaining  
10 agreements, (a) the department must identify provisions that create  
11 barriers for, or contribute to creating a disparate impact on, newly  
12 hired ferry employees, including those who are women, people of  
13 color, veterans, and other employees belonging to communities that  
14 have historically been underrepresented in the workforce; (b) and the  
15 department must create a forum for direct discussion between the  
16 governor, labor leadership, the office of financial management and  
17 the Washington state ferries to collaboratively identify and resolve  
18 compensation and staffing issues, with the goal of service  
19 improvements for ferry riders. By January 1, 2027, the department  
20 must report to the transportation committees of the legislature on  
21 progress in incorporating the finding and recommendations from the  
22 December 2022 joint transportation committee study on the Washington  
23 state ferries' workforce.

24 (4) \$50,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
25 appropriation is provided solely for the department to conduct an  
26 actuarial evaluation to determine the amount of funds needed in  
27 reserve to provide an acceptable amount of self-insurance coverage as  
28 compared to the commercial insurance option for the ferry system. The  
29 evaluation must also include an analysis of the short and long-term  
30 costs and benefits of self-insurance. By December 15, 2026, the  
31 department shall report evaluation results to the transportation  
32 committees of the legislature.

33 (5) Within existing resources, the department must deploy a pilot  
34 program for offering customers wifi on vessels and in terminals. By  
35 January 1, 2026, the department must report on the viability of the  
36 program to the transportation committees of the legislature,  
37 including implementation recommendations and cost estimates. The  
38 department must prioritize routes or terminals with wifi coverage  
39 issues and consider fee-for-service options.

1 (6) \$500,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for operating costs related to  
3 moving vessels for emergency capital repairs. Funds may only be spent  
4 after approval by the office of financial management.

5 (7) \$11,962,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for the Washington state ferries  
7 workforce development activities.

8 (8) \$6,950,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for overtime and familiarization  
10 expenses incurred by engine, deck, and terminal staff. The department  
11 must provide updated staffing cost estimates for fiscal years 2026  
12 and 2027 with its annual budget submittal and updated estimates by  
13 January 1, 2026.

14 (9) \$2,548,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for security services at Colman  
16 Dock.

17 (10) (~~(\$600,000)~~) \$650,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations  
18 account—state appropriation is provided solely for traffic control at  
19 ferry terminals at Seattle, Fauntleroy, Kingston, Edmonds, Mukilteo,  
20 and Bainbridge Island, during peak ferry travel times, with a  
21 particular focus on Sundays and holiday weekends. If local law  
22 enforcement entities are available, the Washington state ferries may  
23 contract with local agencies for traffic control services. Of the  
24 amounts provided in this subsection, \$50,000 is for traffic control  
25 at ferry terminals at Bainbridge Island from May 2026 through August  
26 2026.

27 (11) By December 31st of each year, as part of the annual ferries  
28 division performance report, the department must report on the status  
29 of efforts to increase the staff available for maintaining the  
30 customary level of ferry service, including staff for deck, engine,  
31 and terminals. The report must include data for a 12-month period up  
32 to the most recent data available, by staff group, showing the number  
33 of employees at the beginning of the 12-month period, the number of  
34 new employees hired, the number of employees separating from service,  
35 and the number of employees at the end of the 12-month period. The  
36 department report on additional performance measures must include:

37 (a) Numbers of trip cancellations due to crew availability or  
38 vessel mechanical issues;

1 (b) Current average monthly level of service compared to the  
2 average monthly full-service schedules in effect in 2019; and

3 (c) Retention rates of employees who have completed on the job  
4 workforce development programs and overall employee retention rates.

5 (12) \$75,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with  
7 the Evans School of Public Policy at the University of Washington to  
8 conduct a study and develop recommendations to design a modernized  
9 and more inclusive Washington state ferries' customer advisory  
10 process. The study must prioritize ease of customer feedback,  
11 inclusion of groups that have been historically underrepresented in  
12 customer feedback and engagement processes, and capturing input from  
13 passengers using the system for varying purposes. The study must also  
14 look at customer engagement models developed by other comparable  
15 ferry systems, both domestic and international, for best practices. A  
16 report with findings and recommendations is due to the office of  
17 financial management and the transportation committees of the  
18 legislature by December 15, 2026.

19 (13) \$12,000,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—  
20 federal appropriation is provided solely for a federal fund exchange  
21 pilot with King county metro. The pilot must be conducted in  
22 coordination with the Puget Sound regional council, who has  
23 programming authority for the federal funds to be exchanged.  
24 Washington state ferries must work with the Puget Sound regional  
25 council to identify eligible projects for the exchanged federal funds  
26 and amend the statewide transportation improvement program (STIP).  
27 Upon approval of the amended plan and confirmation of distribution of  
28 federal funds from the Puget Sound regional council, Washington state  
29 ferries must notify the department's public transportation division  
30 for release of state funds to King county metro in section 221(11) of  
31 this act. By January 15, 2026, Washington state ferries must report  
32 to the office of financial management and transportation committees  
33 of the legislature recommendations for expanding the exchange in  
34 current and future biennia.

35 (14) The department must work to increase its outreach and  
36 recruitment of populations underrepresented in maritime careers and  
37 continue working to expand apprenticeship and internship programs,  
38 with an emphasis on programs that are shown to improve recruitment  
39 for positions with the state ferry system.

1 (15) \$2,600,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for winter service enhancements in  
3 the San Juan Islands. By December 1, 2026, the department must report  
4 to the transportation committees of the legislature and the office of  
5 financial management impacts of the service increase including, but  
6 not limited to, ridership impacts, service reliability, and whether  
7 service changes have induced permanent relocation of workforce  
8 serving San Juan Island routes.

9 (16) \$855,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
10 appropriation is provided solely for a workforce development pilot at  
11 the Seattle maritime academy for the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.  
12 Amounts provided in this subsection must be utilized for programs  
13 that are a benefit to the Washington state ferries or the prospective  
14 workforce pipeline of the Washington state ferries. Funding may not  
15 be expended until Washington state ferries certifies to the office of  
16 financial management that a memorandum of agreement with Seattle  
17 central community college has been executed.

18 (a) The memorandum of agreement with Seattle central community  
19 college must address:

20 (i) Prioritized use of training and other facilities and  
21 implementation of joint training opportunities for Washington state  
22 ferries' employees and trainees;

23 (ii) Development of a joint recruitment plan with Seattle central  
24 community college aimed at increasing enrollment of women and people  
25 of color, with specific strategies to recruit existing community and  
26 technical college students, maritime skills center students, high  
27 school students from maritime programs, including maritime skills  
28 center students, foster care graduates, and former juvenile  
29 rehabilitation and adult incarcerated individuals; and

30 (iii) Consultation between the parties on the development of the  
31 training program, recruitment plan and operational plan, with an  
32 emphasis on increasing enrollment of women and people of color.

33 (b) Washington state ferries must submit the joint training and  
34 recruitment plan to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of  
35 the legislature and the office of financial management by December 1,  
36 2025. The Washington state ferries must submit findings of program  
37 effectiveness and recommendations for continuation of the pilot, to  
38 the appropriate committees of the legislature and the office of  
39 financial management by December 1, 2025.

1 (17) \$375,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for the implementation of chapter  
3 296, Laws of 2025 (ferry system salaries). ((If chapter . . . , Laws  
4 of 2025 (Substitute House Bill No. 1264) is not enacted by June 30,  
5 2025, the amount provided in this subsection lapses.))

6 (18) \$19,700,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—  
7 state appropriation is provided solely for the department to increase  
8 deck and engine positions across the system, prioritizing positions  
9 that will mitigate crew related cancellations and reduce overtime  
10 expenditures. The department must consider data related to staffing  
11 cancellations, as well as current and forecasted staffing levels of  
12 deck and engine positions, and mitigation for job classes with the  
13 highest overtime costs when adding positions. Funds provided in this  
14 subsection are eligible to be used for all deck or engine job  
15 classes. The department must include an update on the number of  
16 positions hired by job class as part of the annual performance  
17 report.

18 (19) \$500,000 of the Puget Sound ferry operations account—state  
19 appropriation is provided solely for the department to conduct a  
20 feasibility study on the possibility of a state-controlled dockyard  
21 facility.

22 **Sec. 222.** 2025 c 416 s 223 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
23 follows:

24 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—RAIL—PROGRAM Y—OPERATING**

25 Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State	
26 Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$2,000,000</del> ))
27	<u>\$4,000,000</u>
28 Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
29 Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$81,085,000</del> ))
30	<u>\$81,092,000</u>
31 Multimodal Transportation Account—Private/Local	
32 Appropriation. . . . .	\$46,000
33 TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$83,131,000</del> ))
34	<u>\$85,138,000</u>

35 **Sec. 223.** 2025 c 416 s 224 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
36 follows:

1 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—LOCAL PROGRAMS—PROGRAM Z—**  
2 **OPERATING**

3	Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State	
4	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$274,000</del> ))
5		<u>\$700,000</u>
6	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$15,164,000</del> ))
7		<u>\$16,135,000</u>
8	Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$2,644,000</del> ))
9		<u>\$2,643,000</u>
10	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
11	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,780,000</del> ))
12		<u>\$1,870,000</u>
13	Multiuse Roadway Safety Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,800,000
14	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$21,662,000</del> ))
15		<u>\$23,148,000</u>

16 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
17 conditions and limitations:

18 (1) \$500,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
19 provided solely for administration, program management, and  
20 evaluation of the federal fund exchange pilot program.

21 (2) \$750,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
22 appropriation is provided solely to continue the civilian  
23 intervention grant program in accordance with program requirements  
24 under section 224(7), chapter 472, Laws of 2023.

25 (3) For its 2027-2029 biennial agency budget request, the  
26 department shall create a distinct subprogram within local programs  
27 for all expenditures and activities for the active transportation  
28 division.

29 (4) \$930,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
30 provided solely for the department, from amounts set aside out of  
31 statewide fuel taxes distributed to counties according to RCW  
32 46.68.120(3), to contract with the Washington state association of  
33 counties to:

34 (a) Continue contracting with the Washington state department of  
35 fish and wildlife to identify, inventory, and prioritize county-owned  
36 fish passage barriers;

37 (b) Partner with the county road administration board to update  
38 the road cost factor unit costs used in the calculation of the

1 allocation factor for the county's portion of the motor vehicle fuel  
2 tax;

3 (c) Create specific guidance and training for county public works  
4 departments developing community engagement plans to mitigate project  
5 and program harms and maximize community benefits by expanding upon  
6 the freight mobility strategic investment board's "Toolkit and Best  
7 Practices for Integrating Community Considerations in Infrastructure  
8 Investments;" and

9 (d) Continue partnering with the board of registration for  
10 professional engineers and land surveyors and contract with the  
11 Washington state transportation center at the University of  
12 Washington to identify best practices within public works for the  
13 recruitment and retention of employees, including recommendations for  
14 improving outreach and recruitment to underrepresented populations,  
15 methods to partner with local community colleges and universities,  
16 ways to expand apprenticeship and internship programs, strategies to  
17 increase training and development opportunities, and recommendations  
18 for career advancement programs and better work life balance  
19 outcomes.

20 (5) The city of Seattle must provide a report on any findings and  
21 recommendations of the digital conflict area awareness management  
22 program, for which state funding was provided in the 2023-2025 fiscal  
23 biennium, and any implementation needs and process mapping for use by  
24 other jurisdictions, to the department and the transportation  
25 committees of the legislature by June 30, 2026.

26 (6) \$60,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
27 appropriation is provided solely for support of a United States Coast  
28 Guard-compliant basic safety program with Crawford nautical training.

29 (7) \$309,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
30 provided solely for the department to fund one full-time equivalent  
31 liaison position within the local program multiagency permit program.  
32 The department shall provide a report with an update on activities in  
33 the program to the transportation committees of the legislature by  
34 December 1, 2026.

35 (8) \$70,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
36 appropriation is provided solely for the department to contract with  
37 the Puget Sound harbor committee to support the development of the  
38 Puget Sound harbor safety plan.

1       (9) \$90,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely to the city of Tacoma for the  
3 purchase of research equipment and operating costs to support the  
4 communities for a healthy bay in its work to detect derelict sunken  
5 vessels and sunken fish and crabbing gear that may impact or impede  
6 shipping lanes in order to assist the state in facilitating the  
7 continued accessibility of these commercial routes.

8       (10) \$701,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
9 appropriation is provided solely for the support of Pierce, Skagit,  
10 and Whatcom county ferries youth zero-fare policies. Of this amount:

11       (a) \$263,000 is for Pierce county;

12       (b) \$364,000 is for Whatcom county; and

13       (c) \$74,000 is for Skagit county.

14       (11) \$986,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
15 provided solely for the state share of the operating deficit of the  
16 Wahkiakum county ferry.

(End of part)

1 **TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES—CAPITAL**

2 **Sec. 301.** 2025 c 416 s 302 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 **FOR THE COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD**

5	Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$9,333,000</del> ))
6		<u>\$10,333,000</u>
7	Rural Arterial Trust Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$51,573,000
8	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$2,103,000</del> ))
9		<u>\$2,456,000</u>
10	County Arterial Preservation Account—State	
11	Appropriation. . . . .	\$30,242,000
12	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$93,251,000</del> ))
13		<u>\$94,604,000</u>

14 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
15 conditions and limitations:

16 (1) It is the intent of the legislature to provide \$21,028,000  
17 for a new county local road grant program for the preservation and  
18 improvement of county local roads that are not currently eligible  
19 under existing funding programs starting in the 2027-2029 fiscal  
20 biennium.

21 (2) \$1,000,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
22 is provided solely for grants to reimburse counties for design costs  
23 associated with preparing projects for construction pursuant to  
24 subsection (1) of this section under the new county local road grant  
25 program (chapter 417, Laws of 2025; Chapter 36.170 RCW).

26 **Sec. 302.** 2025 c 416 s 304 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
27 follows:

28 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—FACILITIES—PROGRAM D—**  
29 **(DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-ONLY PROJECTS)—CAPITAL**

30	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$20,158,000</del> ))
31		<u>\$24,450,000</u>
32	Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$21,487,000</del> ))
33		<u>\$21,900,000</u>
34	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$41,645,000</del> ))
35		<u>\$46,350,000</u>

1 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
2 conditions and limitations:

3 (1) (a) \$9,487,000 of the move ahead WA account—state  
4 appropriation is provided solely for the department to improve its  
5 ability to keep facility assets in a state of good repair. In using  
6 the funds appropriated in this subsection, the department, with  
7 periodic reporting to the joint transportation committee, must  
8 continue to develop and implement a prioritization of facility  
9 capital preservation needs and repair projects. The legislature  
10 intends these to be reasonable, forward-thinking investments that  
11 consider potential future space efficiency measures and  
12 consolidations, including those assessed as having high commercial  
13 value and potential returns to state transportation funds associated  
14 with the sale of the property. Prioritization must be based on, but  
15 not limited to, the following criteria: (i) Employee safety and  
16 facility security; (ii) state and federal regulatory and statutory  
17 requirements and compliance issues, including clean buildings  
18 requirements; (iii) quality of work issues; (iv) facility condition  
19 assessment evaluations and scoring; (v) asset preservation; and (vi)  
20 amount of operational support provided by the facility to the  
21 achievement of the department's performance measures and outcomes,  
22 including facility utilization based on field operations work  
23 supported at the location. "Field operations" includes maintenance,  
24 transportation operations, materials testing, and construction.

25 (b) In using the funds appropriated in this subsection, the  
26 department must utilize the prioritization of facility capital  
27 preservation needs and repair projects used in developing the  
28 2025-2027 fiscal biennium agency budget submittal.

29 (c) By September 1, 2025, and September 1, 2026, the department  
30 must provide a report based on the prioritization of facility  
31 preservation needs and repair projects developed pursuant to (a) of  
32 this subsection to the office of financial management and the  
33 transportation committees of the legislature. The report must  
34 include: (i) A by-facility ranking based on the criteria implemented;  
35 (ii) detailed information on the actions taken in the previous year  
36 to address the identified issues and deficiencies; and (iii) the  
37 plan, by facility, to address issues and deficiencies for the  
38 remainder of the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium and the 2027-2029 fiscal  
39 biennium.

1 (2) Within existing resources, in consultation with the office of  
2 financial management, the department must continue to use the  
3 criteria developed for the preservation and improvement minor works  
4 list during the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

5 (3) Within existing resources, in consultation with the office of  
6 financial management, the department must continue to use criteria  
7 for providing building-related capital requests in a comparable  
8 format, adjusted where appropriate, to provisions already in use in  
9 the omnibus capital appropriations act for building projects,  
10 including the C-100 capital request form and other detail  
11 requirements for omnibus capital appropriations act building  
12 submissions.

13 (4) (~~(\$3,000,000)~~) \$3,050,000 of the move ahead WA account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for the department to conduct master  
15 planning on highest and best use of the Corson Avenue regional  
16 headquarters property, including options to reduce space and  
17 footprint on the property, examining the commercial value of the  
18 property if converted to other use or sale of a portion of the  
19 property, and reviewing alternative financing methods to fund  
20 improvements.

21 (5) \$625,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation is  
22 provided solely for the department to build new parking at an  
23 existing agency owned property for approximately 20 large, oversized  
24 vehicles displaced from the relocation by June 30, 2026, out of the  
25 Edna Lucille Goodrich Building. The funds appropriated in this  
26 subsection may not be used for paving.

27 **Sec. 303.** 2025 c 416 s 305 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
28 follows:

29 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—IMPROVEMENTS—PROGRAM I**

30 Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—

31 State Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$7,406,000)~~)  
32 \$9,808,000

33 Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State

34 Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$13,331,000)~~)  
35 \$14,632,000

36 Move Ahead WA Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . \$367,916,000

37 Puget Sound Gateway Facility Account—State

38 Appropriation. . . . . (~~(\$88,200,000)~~)

1		<u>\$50,200,000</u>
2	<u>State Route Number 520 Civil Penalties Account—State</u>	
3	<u>Appropriation. . . . .</u>	<u>\$20,000,000</u>
4	<u>Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)—State</u>	
5	<u>Appropriation. . . . .</u>	<u>\$545,000</u>
6	Transportation Partnership Account—State	
7	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$8,948,000</del> ))
8		<u>\$24,443,000</u>
9	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$271,567,000</del> ))
10		<u>\$309,701,000</u>
11	Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$487,331,000</del> ))
12		<u>\$649,728,000</u>
13	Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund—Federal	
14	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$54,334,000</del> ))
15		<u>\$57,011,000</u>
16	Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$53,581,000</del> ))
17		<u>\$93,843,000</u>
18	Connecting Washington Account—State Appropriation. (( <del>\$1,710,931,000</del> ))	
19		<u>\$1,739,917,000</u>
20	Special Category C Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$114,708,000</del> ))
21		<u>\$129,111,000</u>
22	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
23	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$7,557,000</del> ))
24		<u>\$7,152,000</u>
25	Multimodal Transportation Account—Federal	
26	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,842,000</del> ))
27		<u>\$3,600,000</u>
28	State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
29	Appropriation. . . . .	\$1,100,000
30	Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express	
31	Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$547,950,000</del> ))
32		<u>\$523,850,000</u>
33	Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,161,189,000</del> ))
34		<u>\$1,164,697,000</u>
35	Move Ahead WA Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$467,532,000</del> ))
36		<u>\$427,732,000</u>
37	Model Toxics Control Stormwater Account—State. . . . .	(( <del>\$10,563,000</del> ))
38		<u>\$13,609,000</u>
39	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$5,375,986,000</del> ))

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

(1) Except as provided otherwise in this section, the entire connecting Washington account—state appropriation, the entire move ahead WA account—federal appropriation, the entire move ahead WA account—state appropriation, and the entire transportation partnership account—state appropriation are provided solely for the projects and activities as listed by fund, project, and amount in LEAP Transportation Document ((2025-1)) 2026-1 as developed ((~~April 26, 2025~~)) February 23, 2026, Program - Highway Improvements Program (I). However, limited transfers of specific line-item project appropriations may occur between projects for those amounts listed subject to the conditions and limitations in section 601 of this act.

(2) Except as provided otherwise in this section, the entire motor vehicle account—state appropriation and motor vehicle account—federal appropriation are provided solely for the projects and activities listed in LEAP Transportation Document ((2025-2)) 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed ((~~April 26, 2025~~)) February 23, 2026, Program - Highway Improvements Program (I). Any federal funds gained through efficiencies, adjustments to the federal funds forecast, or the federal funds redistribution process must then be applied to highway and bridge preservation activities.

(3) Within the motor vehicle account—state appropriation and motor vehicle account—federal appropriation, the department may transfer appropriation authority between programs I and P, except for appropriation authority that is otherwise restricted in this act, as follows:

(a) Ten days prior to any transfer, the department must submit its request to the office of financial management and the transportation committees of the legislature and consider any concerns raised.

(b) The director of the office of financial management must first provide written authorization for such transfer to the department and the transportation committees of the legislature.

(c) The department shall submit a report on appropriation authority transferred in the prior fiscal year using this subsection as part of the department's annual budget submittal.

1 (4) The connecting Washington account—state appropriation  
2 includes up to (~~(\$1,422,447,000)~~) \$1,159,447,000 in proceeds from the  
3 sale of bonds authorized in RCW 47.10.889.

4 (5) The special category C account—state appropriation includes  
5 up to (~~(\$101,986,000)~~) \$104,572,000 in proceeds from the sale of  
6 bonds authorized in RCW 47.10.812.

7 (6) The Puget Sound gateway facility account—state appropriation  
8 includes up to \$88,200,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds  
9 authorized in RCW 47.10.896.

10 (7) The motor vehicle account—state appropriation includes up to  
11 \$30,000,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized in RCW  
12 47.10.843.

13 (8) The Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 express toll  
14 lanes account—state appropriation includes up to \$375,311,000 in  
15 proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized in RCW 47.10.896.

16 (9) The move ahead WA account—state appropriation includes up to  
17 (~~(\$879,000,000)~~) \$780,149,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds  
18 authorized in RCW 47.10.873.

19 (10) The move ahead WA account—state appropriation includes up to  
20 (~~(\$164,000,000)~~) \$222,000,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds  
21 authorized in RCW 47.10.889.

22 (11) The move ahead WA account—state appropriation includes up to  
23 (~~(\$212,000,000)~~) \$186,784,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds  
24 authorized in RCW 47.10.861.

25 (12) The department shall itemize all future requests for the  
26 construction of buildings on a project list and submit them through  
27 the transportation executive information system as part of the  
28 department's annual budget submittal. It is the intent of the  
29 legislature that new facility construction must be transparent and  
30 not appropriated within larger highway construction projects.

31 (13) The legislature continues to prioritize the replacement of  
32 the state's aging infrastructure and recognizes the importance of  
33 reusing and recycling construction aggregate and recycled concrete  
34 materials in our transportation system. To accomplish Washington  
35 state's sustainability goals in transportation and in accordance with  
36 RCW 70A.205.700, the legislature reaffirms its determination that  
37 recycled concrete aggregate and other transportation building  
38 materials are natural resource construction materials that are too

1 valuable to be wasted and landfilled, and are a commodity as defined  
2 in WAC 173-350-100.

3 (14) (a) (~~(\$54,334,000)~~) \$57,011,000 of the coronavirus state  
4 fiscal recovery fund—federal appropriation, (~~(\$118,178,000)~~)  
5 \$118,424,000 of the motor vehicle account—federal appropriation,  
6 (~~(\$796,352,000)~~) \$795,004,000 of the move ahead WA account—state  
7 appropriation, (~~(\$112,263,000)~~) \$99,394,000 of the connecting  
8 Washington account—state appropriation, (~~(\$2,698,000)~~) \$4,622,000 of  
9 the motor vehicle account—private/local appropriation, and  
10 (~~(\$8,621,000)~~) \$8,730,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
11 appropriation are provided solely for the Fish Passage Barrier  
12 Removal project (OBI4001) with the intent of fully complying with the  
13 federal *U.S. v. Washington* court injunction by 2030.

14 (b) Appropriations within this subsection may be used to jointly  
15 leverage state and local funds for match requirements in applying for  
16 competitive federal aid grants provided in the infrastructure  
17 investment and jobs act for removals of fish passage barriers under  
18 the national culvert removal, replacement, and restoration program.  
19 State funds used for the purpose described in this subsection must  
20 not compromise full compliance with the court injunction by 2030.

21 (c) The department shall coordinate with the Brian Abbott fish  
22 passage barrier removal board to use a watershed approach by  
23 replacing both state and local culverts guided by the principle of  
24 providing the greatest fish habitat gain at the earliest time. The  
25 department shall deliver high habitat value fish passage barrier  
26 corrections that it has identified, guided by the following factors:  
27 Opportunity to bundle projects, tribal priorities, ability to  
28 leverage investments by others, presence of other barriers, project  
29 readiness, culvert conditions, other transportation projects in the  
30 area, and transportation impacts. The department and Brian Abbott  
31 fish barrier removal board must provide updates on the implementation  
32 of the statewide culvert remediation plan to the legislature by  
33 November 1, 2025, and June 1, 2026.

34 (d) The department must keep track of, for each barrier removed:  
35 (i) The location; (ii) the amount of fish habitat gain; and (iii) the  
36 amount spent to comply with the injunction.

37 (e) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the department shall  
38 semi-annually provide reports of the amounts of federal funding

1 received for this project to the governor and transportation  
2 committees of the legislature.

3 (15) (a) \$368,461,000 of the move ahead WA account—federal  
4 appropriation, \$127,504,000 of the move ahead WA account—private/  
5 local appropriation, and \$84,223,000 of the move ahead WA account—  
6 state appropriation are provided solely for the I-5 Columbia river  
7 bridge project (L4000054). The legislature finds that the replacement  
8 of the I-5 Columbia river bridge is a project of national  
9 significance and is critical for the movement of freight. One span is  
10 now more than a century old, at risk for collapse in the event of a  
11 major earthquake, and no longer satisfies the needs of commerce and  
12 travel. Replacing the aging interstate bridge with a modern,  
13 seismically resilient, multimodal structure that provides improved  
14 mobility for people, goods, and services is a high priority.  
15 Therefore, the legislature intends to support the replacement of the  
16 I-5 Columbia river bridge with an investment of \$1,000,000,000.

17 (b) The department shall provide regular updates on the status of  
18 ongoing coordination with the state of Oregon on any bistate  
19 agreements regarding sharing of revenues, use of revenues, and fiscal  
20 responsibilities of each state. Prior to finalizing any such  
21 agreement, the department shall provide a draft of the agreement to  
22 the transportation committees of the legislature for review and  
23 input. Additionally, the department shall continue to advise  
24 quarterly on the status of any bistate agreements to the joint  
25 transportation committee until any agreements are finalized.

26 (16) (a) (~~(\$37,322,000)~~) \$43,803,000 of the (~~move ahead WA~~)  
27 connecting Washington account—state appropriation is provided solely  
28 for the SR 3 Freight Corridor (T30400R) project. The legislature  
29 intends to provide a total of \$78,910,000 for this project, including  
30 an increase of \$12,000,000 in future biennia to safeguard against  
31 inflation and supply/labor interruptions and ensure that:

32 (i) The northern terminus remains at Lake Flora Road and the  
33 southern terminus at the intersection of state route number 3 and  
34 state route number 302; and

35 (ii) Multimodal safety improvements at the southern terminus  
36 remain in the project to provide connections to North Mason school  
37 district and provide safe routes to schools.

38 (b) With respect to right-of-way acquisition and the construction  
39 of the SR 3 Freight Corridor project (T30400R), tribal consultation

1 with the Suquamish tribe must begin at the earliest stage of  
2 planning, including, without limitation, on all funding decisions and  
3 funding programs, to provide a government-to-government mechanism for  
4 the tribe to evaluate, identify, and expressly notify governmental  
5 entities of any potential impacts to tribal cultural resources,  
6 archaeological sites, sacred sites, fisheries, or other rights and  
7 interests in tribal lands and lands within which the tribe possesses  
8 rights reserved or protected by federal treaty, statute, or executive  
9 order. The consultation is independent of, and in addition to, any  
10 public participation process required under state law, or by a state  
11 agency, including the requirements of Executive Order 21-02 related  
12 to archaeological and cultural resources, and regardless of whether  
13 the agency receives a request for consultation from the Suquamish  
14 tribe. Regularly scheduled tribal consultation meetings with the  
15 Suquamish tribe shall continue throughout the duration of any funding  
16 or program decisions and proposed project approval.

17 (17) (~~(\$8,500,000)~~) \$8,105,000 of the move ahead WA account—state  
18 appropriation and (~~(\$5,000,000)~~) \$4,928,000 of the move ahead WA  
19 account—federal appropriation are provided solely for the SR 3/Gorst  
20 Area - Widening project (L4000017).

21 (a) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$7,500,000 is for  
22 low-cost enhancements that complement the long-term improvement  
23 alternatives identified through planning work on the corridor.

24 (b) Tribal consultation with the Suquamish tribe must begin at  
25 the earliest stage of planning, including, without limitation, all  
26 funding decisions and funding programs, to provide a government-to-  
27 government mechanism for the tribe to evaluate, identify, and  
28 expressly notify governmental entities of any potential impacts to  
29 tribal cultural resources, archaeological sites, sacred sites,  
30 fisheries, or other rights and interests in tribal lands and lands  
31 within which the tribe possesses rights reserved or protected by  
32 federal treaty, statute, or executive order. The consultation is  
33 independent of, and in addition to, any public participation process  
34 required under state law, or by a state agency, including the  
35 requirements of Executive Order 21-02 related to archaeological and  
36 cultural resources, and regardless of whether the agency receives a  
37 request for consultation from the Suquamish tribe. Regularly  
38 scheduled tribal consultation meetings with the Suquamish tribe must  
39 continue throughout the duration of any funding program and proposed  
40 project approval.

1 (18) \$23,000,000 of the move ahead WA account—state  
2 appropriation, \$10,000,000 of the move ahead WA account—private/local  
3 appropriation, and (~~(\$6,387,000)~~) \$13,960,000 of the connecting  
4 Washington account—state appropriation are provided solely for the  
5 US-12/Walla Walla Corridor Improvements project (T20900R). The  
6 legislature recognizes the importance of this project and intends to  
7 provide additional matching funds if additional competitive federal  
8 funding is awarded for the final remaining four-lane section between  
9 Wallula and Nine Mile Hill and the Port of Walla Walla provides  
10 right-of-way at no cost to the state for this project. The  
11 department, in consultation with local governments in the vicinity,  
12 must pursue any federal funding available.

13 (19) (~~(\$12,571,000)~~) \$14,663,000 of the move ahead WA account—  
14 state appropriation, \$7,908,000 of the move ahead WA account—federal  
15 appropriation, and \$2,429,000 of the special category C account—state  
16 appropriation are provided solely for the SR 18 Widening - Issaquah/  
17 Hobart Rd to Raging River - Phase I project (L1000199). The  
18 legislature recognizes the importance of this project and the cost  
19 uncertainties associated with this project, and is committed to its  
20 completion. The legislature intends to monitor the project's budget  
21 and schedule and make adjustments as appropriate.

22 (20) (~~(\$136,984,000)~~) \$144,841,000 of the connecting Washington  
23 account—state appropriation, (~~(\$1,527,000)~~) \$1,717,000 of the  
24 multimodal transportation account—state appropriation,  
25 (~~(\$28,103,000)~~) \$33,230,000 of the motor vehicle account—private/  
26 local appropriation, (~~(\$324,483,000)~~) \$276,847,000 of the move ahead  
27 WA account—federal appropriation, (~~(\$110,723,000)~~) \$147,829,000 of  
28 the move ahead WA account—state appropriation, (~~(\$88,200,000)~~)  
29 \$50,200,000 of the Puget Sound gateway facility account—state  
30 appropriation, and (~~(\$212,157,000)~~) \$326,330,000 of the motor vehicle  
31 account—federal appropriation are provided solely for the SR 167/SR  
32 509 Puget Sound Gateway project (M00600R).

33 (a) Any savings on the project must stay on the Puget Sound  
34 Gateway corridor until the project is complete.

35 (b) In making budget allocations to the Puget Sound Gateway  
36 project, the department shall implement the project's construction as  
37 a single corridor investment. The department shall continue to  
38 collaborate with the affected stakeholders as it implements the  
39 corridor construction and implementation plan for state route number

1 167 and state route number 509. Specific funding allocations must be  
2 based on where and when specific project segments are ready for  
3 construction to move forward and investments can be best optimized  
4 for timely project completion. Emphasis must be placed on avoiding  
5 gaps in fund expenditures for either project.

6 (c) The entire multimodal transportation account—state  
7 appropriation in this subsection is for:

8 (i) The design phase of the Puyallup to Tacoma multiuse trail  
9 along the state route number 167 right-of-way acquired for the  
10 project to connect a network of new and existing trails from Mount  
11 Rainier to Point Defiance Park; and

12 (ii) Segment 2 of the state route number 167 completion project  
13 shared-use path to provide connections to the interchange of state  
14 route number 167 at 54th to the intersection of state route number  
15 509 and Taylor Way in Tacoma.

16 (21) (~~(\$15,988,000)~~) \$25,978,000 of the connecting Washington  
17 account—state appropriation (~~(is)~~) and \$2,212,000 of the motor  
18 vehicle account—state appropriation are provided solely for the SR  
19 224/Red Mountain Vicinity Improvement project (L1000291). The  
20 department shall provide funding to the city of West Richland to  
21 complete the project within the project scope identified by the  
22 legislature, which shall be amended by the department to include the  
23 complete streets widening of Keene Road from SR 224 to Belmont Blvd  
24 and within the total amount provided by the legislature. The  
25 department shall not amend the project's scope of work to add  
26 pavement preservation on state route number 224 from the West  
27 Richland city limits to Antinori Road.

28 (22) (~~(\$100,000,000)~~) \$68,000,000 of the special category C  
29 account—state appropriation, (~~(\$272,820,000)~~) \$209,788,000 of the  
30 connecting Washington account—state appropriation, and (~~(\$71,000)~~)  
31 \$164,000 of the motor vehicle account—private/local appropriation are  
32 provided solely for the US 395 North Spokane Corridor project  
33 (M00800R). Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$300,000 is  
34 for an environmental justice assessment to determine if traffic noise  
35 abatement will reduce environmental harm to the East Central  
36 Neighborhood as a result of this project.

37 (23) (~~(\$578,139,000)~~) \$607,789,000 of the connecting Washington  
38 account—state appropriation, \$20,000,000 of the state route number  
39 520 civil penalty account—state appropriation, \$1,100,000 of the

1 state route number 520 corridor account—state appropriation, and  
2 (~~(\$7,278,000)~~) \$11,951,000 of the motor vehicle account—private/local  
3 appropriation are provided solely for the SR 520 Seattle Corridor  
4 Improvements - West End project (M00400R) and are subject to the  
5 following conditions and limitations:

6 (a) Upon completion of the Montlake Phase of the West End  
7 project, the department shall sell or transfer that portion of the  
8 property not necessary for transportation purposes, and shall  
9 initiate a process to convey or transfer such portion of the surplus  
10 property to a subsequent owner.

11 (b) Of the amounts provided in this subsection, \$1,100,000 of the  
12 state route number 520 corridor account—state appropriation is  
13 provided solely for noise mitigation activities.

14 (24) (~~(\$10,416,000)~~) \$11,000,000 of the move ahead WA account—  
15 state appropriation, \$5,229,000 of the connecting Washington account—  
16 state appropriation, and (~~(\$1,548,000)~~) \$6,796,000 of the motor  
17 vehicle account—state appropriation are provided solely for the SR  
18 522/Paradise Lk Rd Interchange & Widening on SR 522 (Design/  
19 Engineering) project (NPARADI), specifically for design of,  
20 preliminary engineering, and right-of-way acquisition for the  
21 interchange and widening as a single project. The department must  
22 consider reserving portions of state route number 522, including  
23 designated lanes or ramps, for the exclusive or preferential use of  
24 public transportation vehicles, privately owned buses, motorcycles,  
25 private motor vehicles carrying not less than a specified number of  
26 passengers, or private transportation provider vehicles pursuant to  
27 RCW 47.52.025.

28 (25) (~~(\$24,000)~~) \$9,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
29 appropriation and (~~(\$304,000)~~) \$5,469,000 of the motor vehicle  
30 account—federal appropriation are provided solely for the SR 900  
31 Safety Improvements project (L2021118). The department must: (a) Work  
32 in collaboration with King county and the Skyway coalition to align  
33 community assets, transportation infrastructure needs, and initial  
34 design for safety improvements along state route number 900; and (b)  
35 work with the Skyway coalition to lead community planning engagement  
36 and active transportation activities.

37 (26) \$17,500,000 of the motor vehicle account—federal  
38 appropriation is provided solely for a federal fund exchange pilot  
39 program. The pilot program must allow exchanges of federal surface

1 transportation block grant population funding and state funds at an  
2 exchange rate of 95 cents in state funds per \$1.00 in federal funds.  
3 The projects receiving the exchanged federal funds must adhere to all  
4 federal requirements, including the applicable disadvantaged business  
5 enterprise goals. The entirety of the appropriation in this  
6 subsection must be held in unallotted status until surface  
7 transportation block grant population funding has been offered to the  
8 state, and the department determines that a federalized project or  
9 projects funded in this section is eligible to spend the surface  
10 transportation block grant population funding. \$16,625,000 from  
11 existing state appropriations identified elsewhere within this  
12 section are available to be used as part of the exchange. Upon  
13 determination that a project or projects funded in this section is  
14 eligible to spend the offered surface transportation block grant  
15 population funding, state funds appropriated in this section for the  
16 eligible state project or projects in an amount equal to 100 percent  
17 of the offered surface transportation block grant population funding  
18 must be placed in unallotted status. The legislature intends to  
19 evaluate utilization and efficacy of this program, and if  
20 underutilized, the program is intended to not continue into future  
21 biennia.

22 (27) (~~(\$5,030,000)~~) \$3,601,000 of the multimodal transportation  
23 account—state appropriation and (~~(\$1,842,000)~~) \$3,600,000 of the  
24 multimodal transportation account—federal appropriation are provided  
25 solely for the department to develop and implement a technology-based  
26 truck parking availability system along the Interstate 5 corridor in  
27 partnership with Oregon state and California state to maximize  
28 utilization of existing truck parking capacity and deliver real-time  
29 parking availability information to truck drivers (L1000375). The  
30 department may use a portion of the appropriation in this subsection  
31 for grant proposal development and as state match funding for  
32 technology-based truck parking availability system federal grant  
33 applications. The department must update the transportation  
34 committees of the legislature on agency activities and their status  
35 by December 1, 2026.

36 (28) \$57,593,000 of the motor vehicle account—state appropriation  
37 is provided solely for the payment of deferred sales and use taxes on  
38 activities related to the state route number 16 corridor improvements  
39 project pursuant to RCW 47.46.060. It is the intent of the

1 legislature that any nontoll accounts used to pay the deferred sales  
2 and use taxes will be reimbursed by toll revenues no later than  
3 December 31, 2032, which reflects prior legislative intent regarding  
4 the use of toll revenues for this purpose.

5 (29) \$159,480,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
6 appropriation is provided solely for the payment of deferred sales  
7 and use taxes on the state route number 520 bridge replacement and  
8 HOV project (8BI1009) pursuant to RCW 47.01.412. It is the intent of  
9 the legislature that any nontoll accounts used to pay the deferred  
10 sales and use taxes will be reimbursed by toll revenues no later than  
11 December 31, 2050, which reflects prior legislative intent regarding  
12 the use of toll revenues for this purpose.

13 (30) \$1,000,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
14 appropriation is provided solely for matching funds for the  
15 department to apply to the federal highway administration's wildlife  
16 crossings pilot program for wildlife crossing underpasses on U.S. 97  
17 between Tonasket and Riverside (L1000373).

18 (31) The legislature intends to evaluate the state's approach to  
19 estimating capital project costs and risks, and to explore pooling  
20 risk. The department must present to the joint transportation  
21 committee on its cost estimating policies and considerations for  
22 creating a project risk pool before the 2026 legislative session.

23 **Sec. 304.** 2025 c 416 s 306 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
24 follows:

25 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—PRESERVATION—PROGRAM P**

26 Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$154,883,000</del> ))
	<u>\$156,644,000</u>
28 Recreational Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$751,000</del> ))
	<u>\$1,058,000</u>
30 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$62,975,000</del> ))
	<u>\$68,915,000</u>
32 Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$600,864,000</del> ))
	<u>\$665,864,000</u>
34 Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$7,935,000
35 Connecting Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$41,159,000</del> ))
	<u>\$47,679,000</u>
37 State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State	
38 Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$7,924,000</del> ))

1		<u>\$8,055,000</u>
2	Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State	
3	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,871,000</del> ))
4		<u>\$2,796,000</u>
5	Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project Account—	
6	State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$5,376,000</del> ))
7		<u>\$7,490,000</u>
8	Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express	
9	Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$9,648,000</del> ))
10		<u>\$7,303,000</u>
11	Transportation Partnership Account—State	
12	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$10,000,000</del> ))
13		<u>\$14,886,000</u>
14	<u>Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)—State</u>	
15	<u>Appropriation. . . . .</u>	<u>\$19,780,000</u>
16	<u>Preserve Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . . .</u>	<u>\$300,000,000</u>
17	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$903,386,000</del> ))
18		<u>\$1,308,405,000</u>

19       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
20 conditions and limitations:

21       (1) Except as provided otherwise in this section, the entire  
22 motor vehicle account—state appropriation and motor vehicle account—  
23 federal appropriation are provided solely for the projects and  
24 activities listed in LEAP Transportation Document ((~~2025-2~~)) 2026-2  
25 ALL PROJECTS as developed ((~~April 26, 2025~~)) February 23, 2026,  
26 Program - Highway Preservation Program (P). Any federal funds gained  
27 through efficiencies, adjustments to the federal funds forecast, or  
28 the federal funds redistribution process must then be applied to  
29 highway and bridge preservation activities.

30       (2) Within the motor vehicle account—state appropriation and  
31 motor vehicle account—federal appropriation, the department may  
32 transfer appropriation authority between programs I and P, except for  
33 appropriation authority that is otherwise restricted in this act, as  
34 follows:

35       (a) Ten days prior to any transfer, the department must submit  
36 its request to the office of financial management and the  
37 transportation committees of the legislature and consider any  
38 concerns raised.

1 (b) The director of the office of financial management must first  
2 provide written authorization for such transfer to the department and  
3 the transportation committees of the legislature.

4 (c) The department shall submit a report on appropriation  
5 authority transferred in the prior fiscal year using this subsection  
6 as part of the department's annual budget submittal.

7 (3) (~~(\$6,000,000)~~) \$9,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
8 appropriation is provided solely for extraordinary costs incurred  
9 from litigation awards, settlements, or dispute mitigation activities  
10 not eligible for funding from the self-insurance fund (L2000290). The  
11 amount provided in this subsection must be held in unallotted status  
12 until the department submits a request to the office of financial  
13 management that includes documentation detailing litigation-related  
14 expenses. The office of financial management may release the funds  
15 only when it determines that all other funds designated for  
16 litigation awards, settlements, and dispute mitigation activities  
17 have been exhausted.

18 (4) Within the connecting Washington account—state appropriation,  
19 the department may transfer funds from Highway System Preservation  
20 (L1100071) to other preservation projects listed in the LEAP  
21 transportation document identified in subsection (1) of this section,  
22 if it is determined necessary for completion of these high priority  
23 preservation projects. The department's next budget submittal after  
24 using this subsection must appropriately reflect the transfer.

25 (5) The legislature continues to prioritize the replacement of  
26 the state's aging infrastructure and recognizes the importance of  
27 reusing and recycling construction aggregate and recycled concrete  
28 materials in our transportation system. To accomplish Washington  
29 state's sustainability goals in transportation and in accordance with  
30 RCW 70A.205.700, the legislature reaffirms its determination that  
31 recycled concrete aggregate and other transportation building  
32 materials are natural resource construction materials that are too  
33 valuable to be wasted and landfilled, and are a commodity as defined  
34 in WAC 173-350-100.

35 (6) The appropriations in this section include funding for  
36 starting planning, engineering, and construction of the Elwha River  
37 bridge replacement. To the greatest extent practicable, the  
38 department shall maintain public access on the existing route.

1 (7) \$17,500,000 of the motor vehicle account—federal  
2 appropriation is provided solely for a federal fund exchange pilot  
3 program. The pilot program must allow exchanges of federal surface  
4 transportation block grant population funding and state funds at an  
5 exchange rate of 95 cents in state funds per \$1.00 in federal funds.  
6 The projects receiving the exchanged federal funds must adhere to all  
7 federal requirements, including the applicable disadvantaged business  
8 enterprise goals. The entirety of the appropriation in this  
9 subsection must be held in unallotted status until surface  
10 transportation block grant population funding has been offered to the  
11 state and the department determines that a federalized project or  
12 projects funded in this section is eligible to spend the surface  
13 transportation block grant population funding. \$16,625,000 from  
14 existing state appropriations identified elsewhere within this  
15 section are available to be used as part of the exchange. Upon  
16 determination that a project or projects funded in this section is  
17 eligible to spend the offered surface transportation block grant  
18 population funding, state funds appropriated in this section for the  
19 eligible state project or projects in an amount equal to 100 percent  
20 of the offered surface transportation block grant population funding  
21 must be placed in unallotted status. The legislature intends to  
22 evaluate utilization and efficacy of this program, and if  
23 underutilized, the program is intended to not continue into future  
24 biennia.

25 (8) The appropriations in this section include funding for the  
26 following projects:

- 27 (a) SR 525 Bridge Replacement - Mukilteo;
- 28 (b) SR 4/Abernathy Creek Br - Replace Bridge;
- 29 (c) SR 155/Omak Bridge Rehabilitation;
- 30 (d) SR 243 Pavement Preservation and Shoulder Rebuild; and
- 31 (e) SR 104/Port Angeles Graving Dock Settlement and Remediation.

32 (9) As part of its 2026 supplemental budget submittal, the  
33 department must provide a map of preservation projects that it  
34 expects to fund over the following six fiscal years based on the  
35 funding levels shown in this act and based on the funding levels  
36 requested in its 2026 supplemental budget submittal.

37 (10) The department may not proceed with construction of the US  
38 195/Colfax North Fork Palouse River - Replace Bridges project during  
39 the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium. The legislature intends for the  
40 project to be delayed until the 2029-2031 fiscal biennium.

1       (11) \$12,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—federal  
 2 appropriation is provided solely for the SR 165 Fairfax bridge  
 3 replacement project (L1000394) so the department may proceed with the  
 4 project in an expedited manner. It is the intent of the legislature  
 5 to provide funding for planning, design, and environmental review of  
 6 the project. By January 1, 2027, the department shall provide to the  
 7 office of financial management and the transportation committees of  
 8 the legislature, cost estimates and projected timelines of replacing  
 9 the SR 165 Fairfax bridge for consideration in the 2027 legislative  
 10 session.

11       (12) By January 1, 2027, the department shall submit a report to  
 12 the transportation committees of the legislature to include a list of  
 13 the department's top priority bridge preservation and bridge  
 14 replacement projects for a six-year investment program with the  
 15 expected project costs and proposed timeline needed for each project.  
 16 It is the intent of the legislature that this report shall be made  
 17 annually.

18       (13) \$300,000,000 of the preserve Washington account—state  
 19 appropriation is provided solely for supporting essential  
 20 preservation activities necessary for timely highway and bridge  
 21 repairs, replacements, and paving, and the reliable preservation of  
 22 Washington's transportation system. It is the intent of the  
 23 legislature to continue to invest in Washington state highways by  
 24 providing an additional \$430,000,000 in the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium  
 25 for highway preservation.

26       **Sec. 305.** 2025 c 416 s 307 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
 27 follows:

28 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS—**  
 29 **PROGRAM Q—CAPITAL**

30 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$5,845,000</del> ))
	<u>\$7,465,000</u>
32 Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$8,374,000</del> ))
	<u>\$14,537,000</u>
34 Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$635,000</del> ))
	<u>\$1,135,000</u>
36       TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$14,854,000</del> ))
	<u>\$23,137,000</u>

1 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
 2 conditions and limitations: (~~(\$5,621,000)~~) \$7,167,000 of the motor  
 3 vehicle account—state appropriation, (~~(\$6,500,000)~~) \$10,738,000 of  
 4 the motor vehicle account—federal appropriation, and (~~(\$635,000)~~)  
 5 \$1,135,000 of the motor vehicle account—private/local appropriation  
 6 are provided solely for Programmatic Investment for Traffic  
 7 Operations Capital projects (000005Q). By December 15th of each odd-  
 8 numbered year, the department shall provide a report to the  
 9 legislature listing all traffic operations capital project  
 10 investments completed in the prior fiscal biennium.

11 **Sec. 306.** 2025 c 416 s 308 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
 12 follows:

13 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION—PROGRAM V**  
 14 **—CAPITAL**

15	Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State	
16	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$183,467,000</del> ))
17		<u>\$217,850,000</u>
18	Multimodal Transportation Account—State Appropriation (( <del>\$19,511,000</del> ))	
19		<u>\$21,891,000</u>
20	Regional Mobility Grant Program Account—State	
21	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$135,229,000</del> ))
22		<u>\$133,445,000</u>
23	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$338,207,000</del> ))
24		<u>\$373,186,000</u>

25 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
 26 conditions and limitations:

27 (1) Except as provided otherwise in this section, the entire  
 28 appropriations in this section are provided solely for the projects  
 29 and activities as listed by project and amount in LEAP Transportation  
 30 Document ((~~2025-2~~)) 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed ((~~April 26,~~  
 31 ~~2025~~)) February 23, 2026, Program - Public Transportation Program  
 32 (V), except that \$10,000,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
 33 account—state appropriation is for the Central Campus -  
 34 Electrification (King County Metro) project (L1000407) instead of the  
 35 South Annex Base - Electrification Elements (King County Metro)  
 36 project (L4000174).

1           (2) (a) (~~(\$135,229,000)~~) \$140,545,000 of the regional mobility  
2 grant program account—state appropriation is provided solely for  
3 regional mobility grant projects. Of the amounts provided in this  
4 subsection, (~~(\$58,447,000)~~) \$62,865,000 is for the reappropriation of  
5 amounts provided for this purpose in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.  
6 The department shall review all projects receiving grant awards under  
7 this program at least semiannually to determine whether the projects  
8 are making satisfactory progress. Any project that has been awarded  
9 funds, but does not report activity on the project within one year of  
10 the grant award, must be reviewed by the department to determine  
11 whether the grant should be terminated. The department shall promptly  
12 close out grants when projects have been completed, and any remaining  
13 funds must be used only to fund projects identified in the LEAP  
14 transportation document referenced in this section. The department  
15 shall provide annual status reports on December 15, 2025, and  
16 December 15, 2026, to the office of financial management and the  
17 transportation committees of the legislature regarding the projects  
18 receiving the grants. A grantee may not receive more than 25 percent  
19 of the amount appropriated in this subsection unless all other  
20 funding is awarded. Additionally, when allocating funding for the  
21 2027-2029 fiscal biennium, no more than 30 percent of the total grant  
22 program may directly benefit or support one grantee unless all other  
23 funding is awarded.

24           (b) To be eligible to receive a grant under (a) of this  
25 subsection during the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium, a transit agency  
26 must establish a process for private transportation providers to  
27 apply for the use of park and ride facilities.

28           (c) For purposes of this subsection:

29           (i) "Private transportation provider" means an auto  
30 transportation company regulated under chapter 81.68 RCW; a passenger  
31 charter carrier regulated under chapter 81.70 RCW, except marked or  
32 unmarked stretch limousines and stretch sport utility vehicles as  
33 defined under department of licensing rules; a private nonprofit  
34 transportation provider regulated under chapter 81.66 RCW; or a  
35 private employer transportation service provider; and

36           (ii) "Private employer transportation service" means regularly  
37 scheduled, fixed-route transportation service that is offered by an  
38 employer for the benefit of its employees.

39           (d) During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the department shall  
40 consider applications submitted by regional transportation planning

1 organizations and metropolitan planning organizations for the  
2 regional mobility grant program funding in the 2027-2029 fiscal  
3 biennium.

4 (e) If savings are realized from the underspending or  
5 cancellation of projects appropriated in this section, the department  
6 may advance any project or projects listed in the "2025-2027 Regional  
7 Mobility Grant Program Prioritized Project" list. The funding of any  
8 project or projects chosen to be advanced is subject to approval by  
9 the office of financial management and the transportation committees  
10 of the legislature.

11 (3) (~~(\$11,636,000)~~) \$14,753,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
12 account—state appropriation is provided solely for move ahead WA  
13 tribal transit grant projects. Of the amounts provided in this  
14 subsection, (~~(\$1,635,000)~~) \$1,953,000 is for the reappropriation of  
15 amounts provided for this purpose in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.  
16 \$100,000 of the amount provided in this subsection may be used for  
17 program administration and staffing. Grants to federally recognized  
18 tribes may be for any transit purpose, including planning, operating  
19 costs, maintenance, and capital costs. By December 15, 2026, the  
20 department must submit a prioritized list to the office of financial  
21 management and the transportation committees of the legislature of  
22 new projects totaling no more than \$5,762,000.

23 (4) \$6,291,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
24 appropriation is reappropriated and provided solely for additional  
25 bus and bus facility projects. Of the amounts provided in this  
26 subsection, \$1,891,000 is for Twin Transit for zero-emission vehicle  
27 acquisition (BU232505) and \$4,400,000 is for C-TRAN for Highway 99  
28 BRT hydrogen fuel cell buses (BU232507).

29 (5) (~~(\$11,800,000)~~) \$16,800,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
30 account—state appropriation is reappropriated and provided solely for  
31 the following projects:

32 (a) Base Refurbish & Expansion for Growth/Columbia County Public  
33 Transportation (L4000182);

34 (b) Kitsap Transit: Design & Shore Power (G2000115);

35 (c) Pierce Transit - Meridian (L2021197); and

36 (d) (~~(King County Metro South Annex Base - Electrification~~  
37 ~~Elements (L4000174))~~) Central Campus - Electrification (King County  
38 Metro) (L1000407).

1 (6) (~~(\$6,673,000)~~) \$5,325,000 of the multimodal transportation  
2 account—state appropriation is provided solely for a public transit  
3 ride share grant program. For grant awards not yet under contract, as  
4 a condition of public transit ride share grants provided pursuant to  
5 this subsection, public transportation agencies may not delay,  
6 divert, supplant, or suspend the collection of approved local sales  
7 and use taxes for the purpose of public transportation during the  
8 2025-2027 fiscal biennium. Of the amounts provided in this  
9 subsection, (~~(\$1,673,000)~~) \$325,000 of the multimodal transportation  
10 account—state appropriation is for the reappropriation of amounts  
11 provided for a public transit ride share grant program in the  
12 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.

13 (7) (~~(\$11,189,000)~~) \$13,639,000 of the multimodal transportation  
14 account—state appropriation is provided solely for connecting  
15 Washington transit projects. (~~(Of the amounts provided in this~~  
16 ~~subsection, \$3,407,000 is for the reappropriation of amounts provided~~  
17 ~~for this purpose in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium.)~~) Entities  
18 identified to receive funding in the LEAP document referenced in this  
19 section receive the amounts specified in the time frame specified in  
20 that LEAP document. If an entity has already completed a project in  
21 the LEAP document referenced in this section before the time frame  
22 identified, the entity may substitute another transit project or  
23 projects that cost a similar or lesser amount.

24 (8) (~~(\$1,649,000)~~) \$2,927,000 of the multimodal transportation  
25 account—state appropriation and (~~(\$50,799,000)~~) \$51,747,000 of the  
26 carbon emissions reduction account—state appropriation are provided  
27 solely for green transportation capital projects identified in LEAP  
28 Transportation Document (~~(2025-2)~~) 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed  
29 (~~(April 26, 2025)~~) February 23, 2026, Program - Public Transportation  
30 Program (V). Of the amounts provided in this subsection, the entire  
31 multimodal transportation account—state amount and (~~(\$18,536,000)~~)  
32 \$19,484,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state amount  
33 are for the reappropriation of amounts provided for this purpose in  
34 the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium. Of the amount of carbon emissions  
35 reduction account—state funds appropriated in this subsection,  
36 \$938,000 may be used for program administration and staffing. For  
37 grant awards not yet under contract, as a condition of green  
38 transportation capital grants provided pursuant to this subsection,  
39 public transportation agencies may not delay, divert, supplant, or

1 suspend the collection of approved local sales and use taxes for the  
2 purpose of public transportation during the 2025-2027 fiscal  
3 biennium.

4 (9) For grant awards not yet under contract, as a condition of  
5 bus and bus facility grants identified in LEAP Transportation  
6 Document ((2025-2)) 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed ((April-26,  
7 2025)) February 23, 2026, Program - Public Transportation Program  
8 (V), public transportation agencies may not delay, divert, supplant,  
9 or suspend the collection of approved local sales and use taxes for  
10 the purpose of public transportation during the 2025-2027 fiscal  
11 biennium.

12 **Sec. 307.** 2025 c 416 s 309 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
13 follows:

14 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES**  
15 **CONSTRUCTION—PROGRAM W**

16	Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State	
17	Appropriation. . . . .	(( \$229,747,000 ))
18		<u>\$229,471,000</u>
19	Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( \$109,408,000 ))
20		<u>\$148,752,000</u>
21	Puget Sound Capital Construction Account—State	
22	Appropriation. . . . .	(( \$385,229,000 ))
23		<u>\$456,724,000</u>
24	Puget Sound Capital Construction Account—Federal	
25	Appropriation. . . . .	(( \$31,830,000 ))
26		<u>\$49,817,000</u>
27	Puget Sound Capital Construction Account—	
28	Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	(( \$1,679,000 ))
29		<u>\$2,778,000</u>
30	Transportation Partnership Account—State	
31	Appropriation. . . . .	(( \$5,395,000 ))
32		<u>\$6,864,000</u>
33	Connecting Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( \$8,424,000 ))
34		<u>\$14,834,000</u>
35	Capital Vessel Replacement Account—State	
36	Appropriation. . . . .	(( \$122,000,000 ))
37		<u>\$120,389,000</u>
38	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( \$893,712,000 ))

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

(1) Except as provided otherwise in this section, the entire appropriations in this section are provided solely for the projects and activities as listed in LEAP Transportation Document ((2025-2)) 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed ((April 26, 2025)) February 23, 2026, Program - Washington State Ferries Capital Program (W).

(2) \$5,000,000 of the Puget Sound capital construction account—state appropriation is provided solely for emergency capital repair costs (999910K). Funds may only be spent after approval by the office of financial management.

(3) For the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the marine division shall provide to the office of financial management and the legislative transportation committees the following reports on ferry capital projects:

(a) On a semiannual basis, the report must include a status update on projects with funding provided in this section including, but not limited to, the following:

- (i) Anticipated cost increases and cost savings;
- (ii) Anticipated cash flow and schedule changes; and
- (iii) Explanations for the changes.

(b) On an annual basis, the report must include a status update on vessel and terminal preservation and improvement plans including, but not limited to, the following: (i) What work has been done; (ii) how have schedules shifted; and (iii) associated changes in funding among projects, accompanied by explanations for the changes.

(c) On an annual basis, the report must include an update on the implementation of the maintenance management system with recommendations for using the system to improve the efficiency of project reporting under this subsection.

(4) The legislature intends to reassess funding for Bainbridge Island and Kingston terminal electrification projects based on progression of the electrification program and future recommendations of the department.

(5) The appropriations in this section include savings assumed under section 719 ((of this act)), chapter 416, Laws of 2025. By October 15, 2026, Washington state ferries must report to the transportation committees of the legislature and the office of

1 financial management any estimated savings, efficiencies realized,  
2 and recommendations for further improvements.

3 (6) \$6,000,000 of the Puget Sound capital construction account—  
4 state appropriation is provided solely for modernization of the  
5 ticketing and reservation system (990052C). The department must  
6 prioritize integration of ORCA payment, Good to Go! payment, and  
7 mobile payment platforms into the new system at the earliest possible  
8 phase.

9 (7) The legislature intends to consider alternative forms of  
10 financing including, but not limited to, certificates of  
11 participation (lease-purchase) and leasing for the purpose of  
12 securing up to five hybrid electric vessels for the Washington state  
13 ferry system.

14 (8) \$12,419,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
15 appropriation and \$1,071,000 of the Puget Sound capital construction  
16 account—federal appropriation is provided solely to close out the  
17 program for conversion of vessels to electric hybrid propulsion  
18 (L1000339). This represents the final amount to be provided for this  
19 purpose.

20 **Sec. 308.** 2025 c 416 s 310 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
21 follows:

22 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—RAIL—PROGRAM Y—CAPITAL**

23	Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State	
24	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$91,132,000</del> ))
25		<u>\$105,919,000</u>
26	Essential Rail Assistance Account—State	
27	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,518,000</del> ))
28		<u>\$1,695,000</u>
29	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$316,000</del> ))
30		<u>\$365,000</u>
31	Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . . .	\$326,000
32	Move Ahead WA Flexible Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$18,731,000</del> ))
33		<u>\$36,985,000</u>
34	Transportation Infrastructure Account—State	
35	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$7,223,000</del> ))
36		<u>\$8,525,000</u>
37	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
38	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$79,468,000</del> ))

1		<u>\$100,930,000</u>
2	Multimodal Transportation Account—Federal	
3	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$113,163,000</del> ))
4		<u>\$129,088,000</u>
5	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$311,877,000</del> ))
6		<u>\$383,833,000</u>

7       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
8 conditions and limitations:

9       (1) Except as provided otherwise in this section, the entire  
10 appropriations in this section are provided solely for the projects  
11 and activities as listed by project and amount in LEAP Transportation  
12 Document ((~~2025-2~~)) 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed ((~~April 26,~~  
13 ~~2025~~)) February 23, 2026, Program - Rail Program (Y).

14       (2) \$1,500,000 of the transportation infrastructure account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for new low-interest loans approved  
16 by the department through the freight rail investment bank (FRIB)  
17 program identified in the LEAP transportation document referenced in  
18 subsection (1) of this section.

19       (3) \$6,899,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
20 appropriation is provided solely for new statewide emergent freight  
21 rail assistance projects identified in the LEAP transportation  
22 document referenced in subsection (1) of this section.

23       (4) (a) \$7,500,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
24 appropriation and ((~~\$25,076,000~~)) \$29,648,000 of the multimodal  
25 transportation account—federal appropriation are provided solely to  
26 support the department's continued work on a service development plan  
27 for a new ultra high-speed ground transportation corridor under the  
28 federal corridor identification and development program (L2021074).  
29 The department may not move forward with programmatic environmental  
30 review unless authorized to do so by the legislature. Of this amount,  
31 \$4,572,000 of the multimodal transportation account—federal  
32 appropriation represents the reappropriation of amounts provided in  
33 the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium for this purpose.

34       (b) The department must coordinate with the chairs and ranking  
35 members of the transportation committees of the legislature to  
36 provide periodic updates and check-in points on progress made over  
37 the course of the biennium, with updates available no less frequently  
38 than semiannually, and must include written status updates to be  
39 provided with sufficient time for review prior to any update meetings

1 held. An annual report on ultra high-speed ground transportation  
2 corridor identification and development program efforts must be  
3 provided to the transportation committees of the legislature and the  
4 office of financial management by December 1, 2025 and December 1,  
5 2026.

6 (5) \$3,600,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
7 appropriation (~~((is))~~) and \$8,000,000 of the multimodal transportation  
8 account—federal appropriation are provided solely for the Cascades  
9 corridor delivery program for advancing the Cascades corridor  
10 (R00003A), including through planning and project development  
11 activities conducted as part of the federal corridor identification  
12 and development program. The department must continue to pursue  
13 funding opportunities for the Cascades corridor through the corridor  
14 identification and development program and the federal-state  
15 partnership programs at the federal rail administration. The  
16 department must notify the office of the governor and the  
17 transportation committees of the legislature of funding opportunities  
18 from the programs and any corresponding state match needs.

19 (6) (~~(\$18,731,000)~~) \$36,985,000 of the move ahead WA flexible  
20 account—state appropriation, (~~(\$54,785,000)~~) \$55,639,000 of the  
21 multimodal transportation account—federal appropriation, and \$326,000  
22 of the motor vehicle account—local appropriation are provided solely  
23 for rehabilitation of the Palouse River and Coulee City Railroad  
24 (L4000079). Of this amount, \$18,254,000 of the multimodal  
25 transportation account—state appropriation and \$854,000 of the  
26 multimodal transportation account—federal appropriation represents  
27 the reappropriation of amounts provided in the 2023-2025 fiscal  
28 biennium for this purpose.

29 (7) \$5,000,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
30 appropriation is provided solely to fund the replacement of two  
31 Tacoma rail diesel-electric switcher locomotives with zero emission  
32 battery-electric switcher locomotives and to install on-site charging  
33 equipment at a Tacoma rail facility (L1000327). Local funds  
34 sufficient to fully fund this project must be contributed to the  
35 project, and any agreements required for the project must be secured.

36 (8) (~~(\$26,200,000)~~) \$26,293,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
37 account—state appropriation is provided solely for port  
38 electrification competitive grants (L2021182). All public ports are  
39 eligible to receive funds under this subsection. A port seeking to

1 use funds under this subsection to install shore power must adopt a  
2 policy that requires vessels that dock at the port facility to use  
3 shore power if such vessel is capable of using such power and when  
4 such power is available at the port facility. Of this amount, \$93,000  
5 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state appropriation  
6 represents the reappropriation of amounts provided in the 2023-2025  
7 fiscal biennium for this purpose.

8 (9) (~~(\$1,000,000)~~) \$1,995,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
9 account—state appropriation is provided solely for port  
10 electrification at the port of Bremerton (L1000337), which may  
11 include the purchase and installation of zero emission port shore  
12 power systems and other zero emission infrastructure, equipment, and  
13 technology. Of this amount, \$995,000 of the carbon emissions  
14 reduction account—state appropriation represents the reappropriation  
15 of amounts provided in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium for this  
16 purpose.

17 (10) (~~(\$1,855,000)~~) \$1,831,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
18 account—state appropriation is provided solely for port  
19 electrification at the port of Anacortes (L1000338), which may  
20 include the purchase and installation of zero emission port shore  
21 power systems and other zero emission infrastructure, equipment, and  
22 technology.

23 (11) (~~(\$24,800,000)~~) \$25,300,000 of the carbon emissions  
24 reduction account—state appropriation is provided solely to fund a  
25 zero emission shore power infrastructure demonstration project at  
26 Northwest seaport alliance facilities (L1000325). Local funds  
27 sufficient to fully fund this project must be contributed to the  
28 project, and any agreements required for the project must be secured.  
29 Of this amount, \$500,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—  
30 state appropriation represents the reappropriation of amounts  
31 provided in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium for this purpose.

32 (12) (~~(\$5,277,000)~~) \$6,300,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
33 account—state appropriation is provided solely to fund a zero  
34 emission drayage truck demonstration project (L1000324) at Northwest  
35 seaport alliance facilities. Of this amount, \$1,023,000 of the carbon  
36 emissions reduction account—state appropriation represents the  
37 reappropriation of amounts provided in the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium  
38 for this purpose.

1 (13) \$1,200,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for the fruit valley triple track  
3 extension project (L1000386) for a track extension from milepost  
4 131.5 to 133.5 to reduce freight congestion at the north end of the  
5 Vancouver Yard.

6 (14) \$3,000,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
7 appropriation is provided solely for the Longview junction to Kalama  
8 third mainline track project (L1000387) to connect two existing third  
9 mainline tracks to create a 12.5-mile third mainline track.

10 (15) \$8,000,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
11 appropriation is provided solely for the interstate yard storage  
12 tracks project (L1000388) to add two 8,200 feet freight train storage  
13 tracks south of the port of Kalama.

14 (16) (a) \$7,500,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
15 appropriation is provided solely for property acquisition and  
16 infrastructure costs associated with Washington sponsor ports'  
17 obligations under the lower Columbia river channel maintenance plan.

18 (b) It is the intent of the legislature to appropriate a total of  
19 \$15,000,000 for this project in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, with  
20 \$7,500,000 of this amount funded in the 2026 supplemental capital  
21 budget.

22 (c) The legislature further intends that the sponsor ports  
23 develop a comprehensive financial plan that relies primarily on  
24 nonstate funding to support their obligations under the lower  
25 Columbia river channel maintenance plan, and that development of the  
26 plan include consideration of economic and ecological uses for  
27 dredged material and sites, with input from relevant state agencies.

28 (d) The appropriations made by the legislature in this biennium  
29 do not obligate the legislature to provide future funding from the  
30 state for expenditures associated with the lower Columbia river  
31 channel maintenance plan in future biennia.

32 **Sec. 309.** 2025 c 416 s 311 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
33 follows:

34 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—LOCAL PROGRAMS—PROGRAM Z—**  
35 **CAPITAL**

36 Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State  
37 Appropriation. . . . . ((\$281,202,000))  
38 \$363,137,000

1	Freight Mobility Investment Account—State	
2	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$19,335,000</del> ))
3		<u>\$23,514,000</u>
4	Freight Mobility Multimodal Account—State	
5	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$24,952,000</del> ))
6		<u>\$25,676,000</u>
7	Highway Infrastructure Account—Federal Appropriation. . .	\$1,500,000
8	Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$170,384,000</del> ))
9		<u>\$104,903,000</u>
10	Move Ahead WA Flexible Account—State Appropriation. .	(( <del>\$37,500,000</del> ))
11		<u>\$25,065,000</u>
12	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$31,840,000</del> ))
13		<u>\$22,899,000</u>
14	Motor Vehicle Account—Federal Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$106,461,000</del> ))
15		<u>\$145,553,000</u>
16	Motor Vehicle Account—Private/Local Appropriation. . . .	\$75,000,000
17	Connecting Washington Account—State Appropriation. .	(( <del>\$99,002,000</del> ))
18		<u>\$93,143,000</u>
19	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
20	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$115,518,000</del> ))
21		<u>\$92,260,000</u>
22	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$962,694,000</del> ))
23		<u>\$972,650,000</u>

24       The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
25 conditions and limitations:

26       (1) The legislature notes that in recent fiscal biennia there has  
27 been considerable underspending of local programs appropriations, as  
28 the timing of delivery of projects and grant activities by local  
29 partners has lagged expectations. The legislature seeks to better  
30 align the timing of resource availability with the biennium of  
31 expected expenditures, while at the same time providing budget  
32 stability and avoiding potential budget reductions. It is therefore  
33 the intent of the legislature that, while the amount provided in this  
34 biennium's current budget for local projects is less than the total  
35 of the 2025-2027 itemized project costs, specified in LEAP  
36 Transportation Document 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed February 23,  
37 2026, the funding levels in the LEAP document over time represent the  
38 appropriations to the agencies, programs, and activities necessary to  
39 deliver the projects and activities identified therein.

1        ~~((1))~~ (2) Except as provided otherwise in this section, the  
2 entire appropriations in this section are provided solely for the  
3 projects and activities as listed by project and amount in LEAP  
4 Transportation Document ~~((2025-2))~~ 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed  
5 ~~((April 26, 2025))~~ February 23, 2026, Program - Local Programs  
6 Program (Z).

7        ~~((2))~~ (3) The amounts identified in the LEAP transportation  
8 document referenced under subsection (1) of this section for  
9 pedestrian safety/safe routes to school are as follows:

10        (a) ~~((\$38,380,000))~~ \$51,227,000 of the multimodal transportation  
11 account—state appropriation and ~~((\$43,372,000))~~ \$63,885,000 of the  
12 carbon emissions reduction account—state appropriation are provided  
13 solely for pedestrian and bicycle safety program projects (L2000188  
14 and L1000335). Of the amount of carbon emissions reduction account  
15 funds appropriated in this subsection, up to one percent may be used  
16 for program administration and staffing. Of the amounts provided in  
17 this subsection, \$300,000 of multimodal transportation account—state  
18 is for the city of Granger for a pedestrian and bicyclist access  
19 project.

20        (b) ~~((\$16,933,000))~~ \$28,865,000 of the motor vehicle account—  
21 federal appropriation, ~~((\$53,139,000))~~ \$70,004,000 of the carbon  
22 emissions reduction account—state appropriation, and ~~((\$13,321,000))~~  
23 \$18,548,000 of the multimodal transportation account—state  
24 appropriation are provided solely for safe routes to school projects  
25 (L2000189 and L1000334). Of the amount of carbon emissions reduction  
26 account funds appropriated in this subsection, up to one percent may  
27 be used for program administration and staffing.

28        (c) For future rounds of grant selection, the department must  
29 reevaluate the criteria to increase geographic diversity of  
30 jurisdictions consistent with the requirements of the healthy  
31 environment for all (HEAL) act.

32        ~~((\$35,528,000))~~ (4) \$43,473,000 of the motor vehicle account—  
33 federal appropriation is provided solely for acceleration of local  
34 preservation projects that ensure the reliable movement of freight on  
35 the national highway freight system (G2000100). The department will  
36 select projects as part of its update of the state freight plan, in  
37 consultation with the freight mobility strategic investment board and  
38 other stakeholders.

1           ~~((4))~~ (5) The department shall submit a report to the  
2 transportation committees of the legislature by December 1, 2025, and  
3 December 1, 2026, on the status of projects funded as part of the  
4 pedestrian safety/safe routes to school grant program and the Sandy  
5 Williams connecting communities grant program.

6           ~~((5) — \$27,200,000))~~ (6) \$28,455,000 of the carbon emissions  
7 reduction account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
8 statewide school-based bicycle education grant program (L1000309).  
9 The department may partner with a statewide nonprofit to deliver  
10 programs. Of the amounts appropriated in this subsection, up to one  
11 percent may be used for program support.

12           ~~((6))~~ (7) \$22,000,000 of the motor vehicle account—state  
13 appropriation is provided solely for a federal fund exchange pilot  
14 program. The pilot program will allow exchanges of federal surface  
15 transportation block grant population funding and state funds at an  
16 exchange rate of 95 cents in state funds per \$1.00 in federal funds.  
17 The entirety of the appropriation in this subsection must be held in  
18 unallotted status until: Surface transportation block grant  
19 population funding has been offered to the state, the department  
20 determines that a federalized project or projects funded in section  
21 305 or 306 ~~((of this act))~~, chapter 416, Laws of 2025, is eligible to  
22 spend the surface transportation block grant population funding, and  
23 state funds appropriated in section 305 or 306 ~~((of this act))~~,  
24 chapter 416, Laws of 2025, for the eligible state project or projects  
25 in an amount equal to 100 percent of the offered surface  
26 transportation block grant population funding have been placed in  
27 unallotted status. A report on the effectiveness of the exchange  
28 program, the total estimated cost of program administration, and  
29 recommendations for continuing the pilot program is due to the  
30 governor and transportation committees of the legislature by December  
31 1, 2026. The department may issue additional calls for projects with  
32 any remaining funds provided in this subsection. The legislature  
33 intends to evaluate utilization and efficacy of this program, and if  
34 underutilized, the program is intended not to continue into future  
35 biennia.

36           ~~((7) — \$33,200,000))~~ (8) \$46,415,000 of the carbon emissions  
37 reduction account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
38 Sandy Williams connecting communities pilot program (L1000308) to  
39 deliver projects to reconnect communities that have been bifurcated

1 by state highways. Priority must be given to historically  
2 marginalized or overburdened communities. The department may consult  
3 with the Cooper Jones active transportation safety council to  
4 identify geographic locations where there are high incidences of  
5 serious injuries and fatalities of active transportation users among  
6 vulnerable populations. Of the amounts appropriated in this  
7 subsection, up to one percent may be used for program support.

8 ~~((8) \$500,000)~~ (9) \$1,000,000 of the multimodal transportation  
9 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
10 award grants to local jurisdictions to implement network-wide traffic  
11 conflict screening programs using video analytics in controlled  
12 intersections with a disproportionate number of traffic violations  
13 and injuries to active transportation users (L2021149). Grants must  
14 be awarded proportionally across the state and include controlled  
15 intersections in both urban and rural environments and along state  
16 highways and county roads. Grant recipients must report back to the  
17 department all traffic violation and active transportation facility  
18 data acquired during the grant period and provide the department with  
19 appropriate next steps for the state and the local jurisdiction to  
20 improve traffic safety for active transportation users in such  
21 intersections. The department must report such findings and  
22 recommendations to the transportation committees of the legislature  
23 by December 1, 2026.

24 ~~((9))~~ (10)(a) \$7,000,000 of the carbon emissions reduction  
25 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the department to  
26 continue providing rebates to qualifying persons who purchase e-bikes  
27 and qualifying equipment and services from a qualifying retailer in  
28 accordance with rebate program qualification, application, retailer,  
29 and reimbursement requirements under section 310(16)(a), chapter 472,  
30 Laws of 2023. Of this amount, \$4,000,000 is for rebate amounts as  
31 described under (a)(i) of this subsection and \$3,000,000 is for  
32 rebate amounts as described under (a)(ii) of this subsection.

33 (i) For persons who are at least 16 years of age and reside in  
34 households with incomes at or below 80 percent of the county area  
35 median income, the amount of the rebate is up to \$1,200 on the sale  
36 of an e-bike and any qualifying equipment and services.

37 (ii) For all other persons who are at least 16 years of age, the  
38 amount of the rebate is up to \$300 on the sale of an e-bike and any  
39 qualifying equipment and services.

1 (b) \$3,568,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
2 appropriation is provided solely for the department to continue its  
3 e-bike lending library and ownership grant program in accordance with  
4 program requirements under section 310(16)(b), chapter 472, Laws of  
5 2023.

6 (c) The department may not collect more than five percent of  
7 appropriated amounts to administer the programs under (a) and (b) of  
8 this subsection.

9 (~~((10) \$19,335,000))~~ (11) \$23,514,000 of the freight mobility  
10 investment account—state appropriation and (~~(\$24,952,000))~~  
11 \$25,676,000 of the freight mobility multimodal account—state  
12 appropriation are provided solely for freight mobility strategic  
13 investment board projects listed in the LEAP transportation document  
14 referenced in subsection (1) of this section. If funds are made  
15 available due to capital project savings or cancellations, additional  
16 funds may be provided to the freight mobility projects listed in the  
17 LEAP transportation document due to unanticipated project cost  
18 increases with board approval.

19 (~~((11) \$170,000))~~ (12) \$200,000 of the multimodal transportation  
20 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the Seattle office  
21 of planning and community development to finish updating the 2020 I-5  
22 Lid Feasibility Study (L2021140).

23 (~~((12))~~) (13) The legislature intends to fund the Ballard and  
24 Magnolia Bridge project (L4000123), as described in section 911(18),  
25 chapter 472, Laws of 2023.

26 (~~((13) \$5,100,000))~~ (14) \$5,540,000 of the move ahead WA flexible  
27 account—state appropriation is provided solely for development of an  
28 applied sustainable aviation evaluation center (L2021135). Snohomish  
29 county, in partnership with Washington State University, shall plan  
30 and establish facilities to evaluate, qualify or certify, and  
31 research technologies that can minimize the impact of aviation on  
32 human health and the environment. Funds may be used for, but are not  
33 limited to, planning, construction, and land acquisition for  
34 sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) qualification testing (ASTM D4054),  
35 research on the impact of SAF on the environment and human health,  
36 and SAF storage for the purpose of advancing sustainable aviation. At  
37 a minimum, three sustainable aviation platforms must be considered:

38 (a) Sustainable aviation fuel;

39 (b) Hydrogen; and

1 (c) Battery electric energy storage mechanisms.

2 (~~(14)~~—\$5,000,000)) (15) \$7,000,000 of the multimodal  
3 transportation account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
4 department to assist local jurisdictions in addressing emergent  
5 issues related to safety for pedestrians and bicyclists (LXXXXPBF).  
6 Funds may only be spent after approval from the office of financial  
7 management. By December 15th of each odd-numbered year, the  
8 department shall provide a report to the legislature listing all  
9 emergent issues addressed in the prior fiscal biennium. Reporting may  
10 be done in conjunction with the transportation operations division.

11 (~~(15)~~—\$45,000,000)) (16) \$46,491,000 of the move ahead WA  
12 account—state appropriation is provided solely for the Confluence  
13 Parkway Infra Match project (L2021180). The legislature intends that  
14 in the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium, \$35,000,000 of the move ahead WA  
15 account—state account funds will be provided for the project only if  
16 federal project funding for Phase 2 of the Confluence Parkway project  
17 is secured.

18 (~~(16)~~—\$40,000,000)) (17) \$42,306,000 of the move ahead WA  
19 account—state appropriation is provided solely for Columbia River  
20 Bridge Replacement/Hood River to White Salmon (L4000046). The  
21 legislature intends that in the 2027-2029 fiscal biennium and future  
22 biennia, \$30,000,000 of the move ahead WA account—state account funds  
23 will be provided for the project only if federal project funding and  
24 a match from the state of Oregon are secured for construction.

25 (18) \$6,511,000 of the move ahead WA account—state appropriation  
26 is provided solely for the Reducing Rural Roadway Departures program  
27 (L2021122). The department shall structure the program so that grant  
28 applications and awards occur concurrently for towns, small cities,  
29 counties, and transportation benefit districts and independently of  
30 any other grant program administered by the department. The  
31 department shall expend all the funds appropriated in the 2025-2027  
32 fiscal biennium for the Reducing Rural Roadway Departures program  
33 (L2021122) in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

34 (19) (a) \$500,000 of the carbon emissions reduction account—state  
35 appropriation is provided solely for the ECP EV food distribution  
36 fleet upgrade project (L1000405) for a one-time investment to replace  
37 aging diesel and gas-powered food distribution vehicles with electric  
38 delivery trucks and to install the corresponding electric vehicle  
39 charging infrastructure needed to support fleet operations. The

1 legislature intends for the property acquired with these funds to be  
2 used solely to serve the public purpose of food distribution to low-  
3 income households living in food-desert and overburdened communities.

4 (b) The department must require any property acquired with these  
5 funds to be used solely for the purpose specified in (a) of this  
6 subsection (19) and, if sold, that proceeds from the sale of the  
7 property be used solely for this purpose.

8 (c) The department must also require that, if property acquired  
9 with these funds is retained and no longer used solely for the  
10 purpose specified in (a) of this subsection (19), the state must be  
11 reimbursed for the property at no less than the fair market value of  
12 the property at the time the property stops being used for this  
13 purpose.

(End of part)

1 **TRANSFERS AND DISTRIBUTIONS**

2 **Sec. 401.** 2025 c 416 s 401 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—STATE REVENUES FOR DISTRIBUTION**

5	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation: For motor	
6	vehicle fuel tax statutory distributions to	
7	cities and counties. . . . .	(( <del>\$443,860,000</del> ))
8		<u>\$458,371,000</u>
9	Multimodal Transportation Account—State	
10	Appropriation: For distribution to cities and	
11	counties. . . . .	\$26,786,000
12	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation: For	
13	distribution to cities and counties. . . . .	\$23,438,000
14	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$494,084,000</del> ))
15		<u>\$508,595,000</u>

16 **Sec. 402.** 2025 c 416 s 402 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
17 follows:

18 **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—TRANSFERS**

19	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation: For motor	
20	vehicle fuel tax refunds and statutory	
21	transfers. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,877,014,000</del> ))
22		<u>\$1,797,289,000</u>

23 **Sec. 403.** 2025 c 416 s 403 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
24 follows:

25 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING—TRANSFERS**

26	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation: For motor	
27	vehicle fuel tax refunds and transfers. . . . .	(( <del>\$206,302,000</del> ))
28		<u>\$225,368,000</u>

29 **Sec. 404.** 2025 c 416 s 404 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
30 follows:

31 **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING**  
32 **BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR BOND SALES DISCOUNTS AND**  
33 **DEBT TO BE PAID BY MOTOR VEHICLE ACCOUNT AND TRANSPORTATION FUND**  
34 **REVENUE**

35 Transportation Partnership Account—State

1	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$4,061,000</del> ))
2		<u>\$3,532,000</u>
3	Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	\$150,000
4	Connecting Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$15,234,000</del> ))
5		<u>\$6,168,000</u>
6	Special Category C Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$510,000</del> ))
7		<u>\$523,000</u>
8	Puget Sound Gateway Facility Account—State	
9	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$350,000</del> ))
10		<u>\$441,000</u>
11	Highway Bond Retirement Account—State Appropriation (( <del>\$1,604,659,000</del> ))	
12		<u>\$1,568,496,000</u>
13	Transportation Improvement Board Bond Retirement	
14	Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$5,619,000</del> ))
15		<u>\$8,793,000</u>
16	Nondebt-Limit Reimbursable Bond Retirement Account—	
17	State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$28,212,000</del> ))
18		<u>\$27,780,000</u>
19	Toll Facility Bond Retirement Account—State	
20	Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$90,015,000</del> ))
21		<u>\$104,839,000</u>
22	Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)—State	
23	Appropriation. . . . .	\$934,000
24	Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express	
25	Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,877,000</del> ))
26		<u>\$1,875,000</u>
27	TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . .	(( <del>\$1,751,621,000</del> ))
28		<u>\$1,723,531,000</u>

29 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following  
30 conditions and limitations:

31 (1) The toll facility bond retirement account—state appropriation  
32 includes up to \$5,500,000 in proceeds from the sale of bonds  
33 authorized in RCW 47.10.896.

34 (2) \$3,174,000 of the transportation improvement board bond  
35 retirement account—state appropriation is provided solely for the  
36 prepayment of certain outstanding bonds and debt service.

37 **Sec. 405.** 2025 c 416 s 405 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
38 follows:

1 **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING**  
 2 **BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR DEBT TO BE PAID BY**  
 3 **STATUTORILY PRESCRIBED REVENUE**

4 Toll Facility Bond Retirement Account—State  
 5 Appropriation. . . . . ((~~\$39,742,000~~))  
 6 \$44,527,000

7 **Sec. 406.** 2025 c 416 s 406 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
 8 follows:

9 **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—BOND RETIREMENT AND INTEREST, AND ONGOING**  
 10 **BOND REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER CHARGES: FOR BOND SALE EXPENSES AND**  
 11 **FISCAL AGENT CHARGES**

12 Transportation Partnership Account—State  
 13 Appropriation. . . . . ((~~\$812,000~~))  
 14 \$724,000  
 15 Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$30,000  
 16 Transportation Improvement Account—State  
 17 Appropriation. . . . . \$20,000  
 18 Connecting Washington Account—State Appropriation. . . ((~~\$3,046,000~~))  
 19 \$1,268,000  
 20 Special Category C Account—State Appropriation. . . . . ((~~\$230,000~~))  
 21 \$105,000  
 22 Puget Sound Gateway Facility Account—State  
 23 Appropriation. . . . . ((~~\$450,000~~))  
 24 \$89,000  
 25 Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)—State  
 26 Appropriation. . . . . \$187,000  
 27 Interstate 405 and State Route Number 167 Express  
 28 Toll Lanes Account—State Appropriation. . . . . \$375,000  
 29 **TOTAL APPROPRIATION. . . . . ((~~\$5,130,000~~))**  
 30 \$2,798,000

31 **Sec. 407.** 2025 c 416 s 407 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
 32 follows:

33 **FOR THE STATE TREASURER—ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSFERS**

34 (1) (a) Transportation Partnership Account—State  
 35 Appropriation: For transfer to the Move Ahead WA  
 36 Account—State. . . . . ((~~\$879,000,000~~)) \$780,149,000

1 (b) The amount authorized in this subsection is a maximum amount  
2 allowed and represents proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized in  
3 RCW 47.10.873. Transfers under this subsection are deemed for  
4 projects or improvements identified as transportation partnership  
5 projects or improvements for purposes of RCW 47.10.873.  
6 Appropriations in the amount of this transfer are made in this act to  
7 reflect proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized in RCW 47.10.873.

8 (2) Transportation Partnership  
9 Account—State Appropriation: For transfer to the  
10 Tacoma Narrows Toll Bridge Account—State. . . . . \$4,436,000

11 (3) Transportation Partnership Account—State  
12 Appropriation: For transfer to the Move Ahead WA  
13 Account—State. . . . . \$12,000,000

14 ~~((3))~~ (4) (a) Connecting Washington Account—State  
15 Appropriation: For transfer to the Move Ahead WA  
16 Account—State. . . . . ((\$164,000,000)) \$222,000,000

17 (b) The amount authorized in this subsection is a maximum amount  
18 allowed and represents proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized in  
19 RCW 47.10.889. Transfers under this subsection are deemed for  
20 projects or improvements identified as connecting Washington projects  
21 or improvements for purposes of RCW 47.10.889. Appropriations in the  
22 amount of this transfer are made in this act to reflect proceeds from  
23 the sale of bonds authorized in RCW 47.10.889.

24 ~~((4))~~ (5) (a) Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)—State  
25 Appropriation: For transfer to the  
26 Move Ahead WA Account—State. . . . . ((\$212,000,000)) \$186,784,000

27 (b) The amount authorized in this subsection is a maximum amount  
28 allowed and represents proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized in  
29 RCW 47.10.861. Transfers under this subsection are deemed for  
30 projects or improvements identified as transportation 2003 (nickel)  
31 projects or improvements for purposes of RCW 47.10.861.  
32 Appropriations in the amount of this transfer are made in this act to  
33 reflect proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized in RCW 47.10.861.

34 ~~((5) Move Ahead WA Account—State Appropriation:~~  
35 ~~For transfer to the Puget Sound Capital Construction~~  
36 ~~Account—State. . . . . \$40,000,000))~~

37 (6) Transportation 2003 Account (Nickel Account)—State  
38 Appropriation: For transfer to the Move Ahead WA  
39 Account—State. . . . . \$9,000,000

1        ~~((6))~~ (7) Move Ahead WA Account—State  
2        Appropriation: For transfer to the Puget Sound Ferry  
3        Operations Account—State. . . . . \$172,000,000  
4        ~~((7) Move Ahead WA Account—State~~  
5        ~~Appropriation: For transfer to the Transportation~~  
6        ~~Partnership Account—State. . . . . \$40,000,000))~~  
7        (8) Move Ahead WA Flexible Account—State  
8        Appropriation: For transfer to the Move Ahead  
9        WA Account—State. . . . . \$192,000,000  
10        (9) Move Ahead WA Flexible Account—State  
11        Appropriation: For transfer to the Preserve Washington  
12        Account—State. . . . . \$230,000,000  
13        ~~((9))~~ (10) Pilotage Account—State Appropriation:  
14        For transfer to the Multimodal Transportation  
15        Account—State. . . . . \$320,000  
16        ~~((10))~~ (11) Transportation Infrastructure Account—State  
17        Appropriation: For transfer to the  
18        Multimodal Transportation Account—State. . . . . \$9,000,000  
19        ~~((11))~~ (12) Regional Mobility Grant Program Account—State  
20        Appropriation: For transfer to the Multimodal  
21        Transportation Account—State. . . . . ~~(\$9,000,000)~~ \$31,000,000  
22        ~~((12))~~ (13) Electric Vehicle Account—State  
23        Appropriation: For transfer to Move Ahead WA  
24        Flexible Account—State. . . . . \$3,600,000  
25        ~~((13))~~ (14)(a) Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Project  
26        Account—State Appropriation: For transfer to the  
27        Transportation Partnership Account—State. . . . . \$22,896,000  
28        (b) The amount transferred in this subsection represents  
29        repayment of debt service incurred for the construction of the SR 99/  
30        Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement project (809936Z).  
31        ~~((14))~~ (15) Highway Safety Account—State Appropriation:  
32        For transfer to the State Patrol Highway  
33        Account—State. . . . . ~~(\$88,000,000)~~ \$83,000,000  
34        ~~((15))~~ (16) Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation:  
35        For transfer to the County Arterial Preservation  
36        Account—State. . . . . \$4,844,000  
37        ~~((16))~~ (17) Motor Vehicle Account—State Appropriation:  
38        For transfer to the Freight Mobility Investment

1 Account—State. . . . . \$8,511,000  
2 ((+17)) (18) Motor Vehicle Account—State  
3 Appropriation: For transfer to the Rural Arterial  
4 Trust Account—State. . . . . \$4,844,000  
5 ((+18)) (19) Motor Vehicle Account—State  
6 Appropriation: For transfer to the Transportation  
7 Improvement Account—State. . . . . \$9,688,000  
8 ((+19)) (20) Motor Vehicle Account—State  
9 Appropriation: For transfer to the State Patrol  
10 Highway Account—State. . . . . \$130,000,000  
11 ~~((+20) Motor Vehicle Account—State~~  
12 ~~Appropriation: For transfer to the Capital Vessel~~  
13 ~~Replacement Account—State. . . . . \$5,000,000))~~  
14 (21) Motor Vehicle Account—State  
15 Appropriation: For transfer to the CRAB Emergency Loan  
16 Account—State. . . . . \$3,000,000  
17 ((+21)) (22) Motor Vehicle Account—State  
18 Appropriation: For transfer to the Puget Sound  
19 Capital Construction Account—State. . . . . \$6,500,000  
20 ((+22)) (23) Motor Vehicle Account—State  
21 Appropriation: For transfer to the Puget Sound  
22 Ferry Operations Account—State. . . . . ~~(\$15,000,000)~~ \$10,000,000  
23 ((+23)) (24) Puget Sound Ferry Operations Account—State  
24 Appropriation: For transfer to the Puget Sound Capital  
25 Construction Account—State. . . . . \$115,315,000  
26 ((+24)) (25) State Route Number 520 Civil Penalties  
27 Account—State Appropriation: For transfer to the Motor  
28 Vehicle Account—State. . . . . \$3,000,000  
29 ((+25)) (26) State Route Number 520 Civil Penalties  
30 Account—State Appropriation: For transfer to the  
31 State Route Number 520 Corridor Account—State. . . . . \$1,752,000  
32 ((+26)) (27) Multimodal Transportation Account—State  
33 Appropriation: For transfer to the Move Ahead WA  
34 Flexible Account—State. . . . . \$18,770,000  
35 ((+27)) (28) Multimodal Transportation Account—State  
36 Appropriation: For transfer to the Puget Sound  
37 Ferry Operations Account—State. . . . . ~~(\$64,000,000)~~ \$39,000,000  
38 ((+28)) (29) Multimodal Transportation Account—State

1 Appropriation: For transfer to the Complete Streets  
2 Grant Program Account—State. . . . . \$14,670,000  
3 ~~((+29))~~ (30) Multimodal Transportation Account—State  
4 Appropriation: For transfer to the Freight Mobility  
5 Multimodal Account—State. . . . . \$8,511,000  
6 ~~((+30))~~ (31) Multimodal Transportation Account—State  
7 Appropriation: For transfer to the Puget Sound Capital  
8 Construction Account—State. . . . . ~~(\$105,000,000)~~ \$80,000,000  
9 ~~((+31))~~ (32) Multimodal Transportation Account—State  
10 Appropriation: For transfer to the Regional Mobility  
11 Grant Program Account—State. . . . . \$27,679,000  
12 ~~((+32))~~ (33) Multimodal Transportation Account—State  
13 Appropriation: For transfer to the Rural Mobility  
14 Grant Program Account—State. . . . . \$12,223,000  
15 ~~((+33) Multimodal Transportation Account—State~~  
16 ~~Appropriation: For transfer to the Transportation~~  
17 ~~Partnership Account—State. . . . . \$25,000,000)~~  
18 (34) Multimodal Transportation Account—State  
19 Appropriation: For transfer to the Move Ahead WA  
20 Account—State. . . . . \$55,000,000  
21 (35) Multimodal Transportation Account—State  
22 Appropriation: For transfer to the Preserve Washington  
23 Account—State. . . . . \$107,000,000  
24 ~~((+34))~~ (36) Carbon Emissions Reduction Account—State  
25 Appropriation: For transfer to the Puget Sound Ferry  
26 Operations Account—State. . . . . \$4,200,000  
27 ~~((+35))~~ (37)(a) General Fund Account—State  
28 Appropriation: For transfer to the State Patrol Highway  
29 Account—State. . . . . \$625,000  
30 (b) The state treasurer shall transfer the funds under this  
31 subsection only after receiving notification from the Washington  
32 state patrol under section 207 ~~((of this act))~~, chapter 416, Laws of  
33 2025.  
34 ~~((+36))~~ (38)(a) Highway Safety Account—State  
35 Appropriation: For transfer to the Driver Education  
36 Safety Improvement Account—State for fiscal  
37 year 2026. . . . . \$2,000,000  
38 (b) Driver Education Safety Improvement  
39 Account—State Appropriation: For transfer to

1 the Highway Safety Account—State for fiscal year 2027. . . \$2,000,000  
2 (39) JUDY Transportation Future Funding Program Account—State  
3 Appropriation: For transfer to the Motor Vehicle  
4 Account—State. . . . . \$5,000,000

(End of part)

1 **COMPENSATION**

(End of part)

2 **IMPLEMENTING PROVISIONS**

3 **Sec. 601.** 2025 c 416 s 601 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
4 follows:

5 **MANAGEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDS WHEN THE LEGISLATURE IS NOT IN**  
6 **SESSION**

7 (1) The 2005 transportation partnership projects or improvements,  
8 2015 connecting Washington projects or improvements, and move ahead  
9 WA projects or improvements are listed in the LEAP Transportation  
10 Document ((~~2025-1~~) 2026-1 as developed ((~~April 26, 2025~~) February  
11 23, 2026, which consists of a list of specific projects by fund  
12 source and amount over multiple biennia. Current fiscal biennium  
13 funding for each project is a line-item appropriation, while the  
14 outer year funding allocations represent a six-year plan. The  
15 department of transportation is expected to use the flexibility  
16 provided in this section to assist in the delivery and completion of  
17 all transportation partnership account, connecting Washington  
18 account, and move ahead WA account projects on the LEAP  
19 transportation document referenced in this subsection. For the  
20 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 project appropriations, unless otherwise  
21 provided in this act, the director of the office of financial  
22 management may provide written authorization for a transfer of  
23 appropriation authority between projects funded with transportation  
24 partnership account appropriations, connecting Washington account  
25 appropriations, or move ahead WA account appropriations to manage  
26 project spending and efficiently deliver all projects in the  
27 respective program under the following conditions and limitations:

28 (a) Transfers may only be made within each specific fund source  
29 referenced on the respective project list;

30 (b) Transfers from a project may not be made as a result of the  
31 reduction of the scope of a project or be made to support increases  
32 in the scope of a project;

33 (c) Transfers from a project may be made if the funds  
34 appropriated to the project are in excess of the amount needed in the  
35 current fiscal biennium;

1 (d) Transfers may not occur for projects not identified on the  
2 applicable project list;

3 (e) Transfers to a project may not occur if that project is a  
4 programmatic funding item described in broad general terms on the  
5 applicable project list without referencing a specific state route  
6 number;

7 (f) Transfers may not be made while the legislature is in  
8 session;

9 (g) Transfers to a project may not be made with funds designated  
10 as attributable to practical design savings as described in RCW  
11 47.01.480;

12 (h) The total amount of transfers under this section may not  
13 exceed \$100,000,000;

14 (i) Except as otherwise provided in (k) of this subsection,  
15 transfers made to a single project may not cumulatively total more  
16 than \$50,000,000 per fiscal biennium, and may not total more than the  
17 amount identified for a project within the six-year plan;

18 (j) Each transfer between projects may only occur if the director  
19 of the office of financial management finds that any resulting change  
20 will not hinder the completion of the projects as approved by the  
21 legislature; and

22 (k) Transfers between projects may be made by the department of  
23 transportation without the formal written approval provided under  
24 this subsection (1), provided that the transfer amount to a single  
25 project does not exceed \$250,000 or 10 percent of the total project  
26 per fiscal biennium, whichever is less. These transfers must be  
27 reported quarterly to the director of the office of financial  
28 management and the chairs of the house of representatives and senate  
29 transportation committees.

30 (2) The department of transportation must submit quarterly all  
31 transfers authorized under this section in the transportation  
32 executive information system. The office of financial management must  
33 maintain a legislative baseline project list identified in the LEAP  
34 transportation documents referenced in this act, and update that  
35 project list with all authorized transfers under this section,  
36 including any effects to the total project budgets and schedules  
37 beyond the current fiscal biennium.

38 (3) At the time the department submits a request to transfer  
39 funds under this section, a copy of the request must be submitted to

1 the chairs and ranking members of the transportation committees of  
2 the legislature.

3 (4) Before approval, the office of financial management shall  
4 work with legislative staff of the house of representatives and  
5 senate transportation committees to review the requested transfers in  
6 a timely manner and address any concerns raised by the chairs and  
7 ranking members of the transportation committees.

8 (5) No fewer than 10 days after the receipt of a project transfer  
9 request, the director of the office of financial management must  
10 provide written notification to the department of any decision  
11 regarding project transfers, with copies submitted to the  
12 transportation committees of the legislature.

13 (6) The department must submit annually as part of its budget  
14 submittal a report detailing all transfers made pursuant to this  
15 section, including any effects to the total project budgets and  
16 schedules beyond the current fiscal biennium.

17 **Sec. 602.** 2025 c 416 s 606 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
18 follows:

19 **TRANSIT, BICYCLE, AND PEDESTRIAN ELEMENTS REPORTING**

20 By November 15th of each year, the department of transportation  
21 must report on amounts expended to benefit transit, bicycle, or  
22 pedestrian elements within all connecting Washington projects in  
23 programs I, P, and Z identified in LEAP Transportation Document  
24 ((2025-2)) 2026-2 ALL PROJECTS as developed ((April 26, 2025))  
25 February 23, 2026, in a manner consistent with past practices as  
26 specified in section 602, chapter 186, Laws of 2022.

27 **Sec. 603.** 2025 c 416 s 609 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
28 follows:

29 **LOCAL PARTNER COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

30 (1) If a transportation project, where the Washington state  
31 department of transportation is the lead and the project is scheduled  
32 to be delivered or completed in the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium as  
33 shown on the LEAP Transportation Document ((2025-2)) 2026-2 ALL  
34 PROJECTS as developed ((April 26, 2025)) February 23, 2026, is in  
35 jeopardy of being delayed because the department is unable to deliver  
36 or complete the project within the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium and  
37 other local jurisdictions are able to deliver or complete the work,  
38 the department must coordinate with the appropriate local

1 jurisdictions to determine if a potential local partner is ready,  
2 willing, and able to execute delivery and completion of the project  
3 within the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium.

4 (2) The department must compile a list of projects under this  
5 section, including the timing under which the local partner agency  
6 can deliver or complete the projects within the 2025-2027 and  
7 2027-2029 fiscal biennia. The department must submit the compiled  
8 list of projects to the governor and the transportation committees of  
9 the legislature by November 1, 2025.

(End of part)

MISCELLANEOUS 2025-2027 FISCAL BIENNIUM

Sec. 701. 2025 c 416 s 701 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OVERSIGHT

The following transportation projects are subject to the conditions, limitations, and review provided in section 701 (2) through (12), chapter 424, Laws of 2025 (omnibus operating appropriations act): For the department of transportation: Washington state ferries dispatch system replacement ((and)); Washington state ferries ticketing and reservations modernization; the transportation reporting and accounting information system (TRAINS) upgrade; PROPEL - WSDOT support of one Washington; and capital systems replacement.

Sec. 702. RCW 36.78.130 and 2019 c 157 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The board may create an emergency revolving loan program that is self-supporting in accordance with RCW 43.88.190. The board may award emergency loans to counties with a population of less than eight hundred thousand as of April 1, 2019, from the funds available in the county road administration board emergency loan account created in RCW 36.78.135 for emergency projects. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium, the board may award emergency loans to counties and cities that experienced flooding, landslides, and other infrastructure damage as a result of historically high rainfall levels in western Washington in December 2025, regardless of population size.

(2) Emergency projects are work of either a temporary or permanent nature which restores roads and bridges to a preemergency condition and may include reconstruction to current design standards. This work is the result of a sudden natural or man-made event which results in the destruction or severe damage to county roadway sections or structures such that, in the consideration of public safety and use, the roadway sections or structures must be immediately closed or substantially restricted to normal use. Work of an emergency nature is also beyond the scope of work done by a county in repairing damages normally or reasonably expected from seasonal or other natural conditions, and is beyond what would be considered maintenance.

1 (3) In order to obtain a loan under this section, there must be a  
2 county, state, or federal emergency proclamation declaring an  
3 emergency related to the event that caused the damage the emergency  
4 project intends to correct, and the county must agree to repay the  
5 loan with interest of not more than three percent. All repayment  
6 amounts must be deposited into the county road administration board  
7 emergency loan account.

8 (4) Any work performed on an emergency project funded in  
9 accordance with this section by county forces shall be exempt from  
10 the limits of RCW 36.77.065.

11 (5) Consistent with RCW 43.01.036, the board must submit a report  
12 to the legislature by December 1st of each even-numbered year  
13 identifying each project that received money from the county road  
14 administration board emergency loan account, the amount of the loan,  
15 the expected repayment terms of the loan, the expected date of  
16 repayment, and the loan repayment status. Each project should be  
17 reported about until the loan is repaid.

18 **Sec. 703.** RCW 46.68.396 and 2022 c 182 s 435 are each amended to  
19 read as follows:

20 The JUDY transportation future funding program account is created  
21 in the connecting Washington account established in chapter 44, Laws  
22 of 2015 3rd sp. sess. Moneys in the account may be spent only after  
23 appropriation. Expenditures from the account must be used only for  
24 preservation projects, to accelerate the schedule of connecting  
25 Washington projects identified in chapter 43, Laws of 2015 3rd sp.  
26 sess., for new connecting Washington projects, and for principal and  
27 interest on bonds authorized for the projects. It is the  
28 legislature's intent that moneys not be appropriated from the account  
29 until 2024 and that moneys in the account be expended in equal  
30 amounts between preservation and improvement projects. Moneys in the  
31 account may not be expended on the state route number 99 Alaskan Way  
32 viaduct replacement project. During the 2025-2027 fiscal biennium,  
33 the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make transfers of  
34 moneys from the JUDY transportation future funding program account to  
35 the motor vehicle account.

36 **Sec. 704.** RCW 46.68.520 and 2022 c 182 s 402 are each amended to  
37 read as follows:

1       The move ahead WA flexible account is created in the state  
2 treasury. Moneys in the account may be spent only after  
3 appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used only for  
4 transportation projects, programs, or activities identified as move  
5 ahead WA projects, programs, or activities in an omnibus  
6 transportation appropriations act. During the 2025-2027 fiscal  
7 biennium, the legislature may direct the state treasurer to make  
8 transfers of moneys from the move ahead WA flexible account to the  
9 preserve Washington account created in chapter . . ., Laws of 2026  
10 (HB 2711).

(End of part)



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