

SHB 2673 - S COMM AMD  
By Committee on Transportation

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 47.01 RCW  
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) The department shall expend federal funds received by the  
6 department under 23 U.S.C. Sec. 140(b) to increase diversity in the  
7 highway construction workforce and prepare individuals interested in  
8 entering the highway construction workforce by conducting activities in  
9 subsection (4) of this section.

10 (2) The requirements contained in subsection (1) of this section do  
11 not apply to or reduce the federal funds that would be otherwise  
12 allocated to local government agencies.

13 (3) The department may, in coordination with the apprenticeship and  
14 training council described in chapter 49.04 RCW, expend moneys from  
15 other sources than those specified in subsection (1) of this section  
16 for the activities in subsection (4) of this section.

17 (4) The department shall coordinate with the apprenticeship and  
18 training council to provide any portion of the following services:

19 (a) Preapprenticeship programs approved by the apprenticeship and  
20 training council;

21 (b) Preemployment counseling;

22 (c) Orientations on the highway construction industry, including  
23 outreach to women, minorities, and other disadvantaged individuals;

24 (d) Basic skills improvement classes;

25 (e) Career counseling;

26 (f) Remedial training;

27 (g) Entry requirements for training programs;

28 (h) Supportive services and assistance with transportation;

29 (i) Child care and special needs;

30 (j) Job site mentoring and retention services; and

1 (k) Assistance with tools, protective clothing, and other related  
2 support for employment costs.

3 (5) The department, in coordination with the apprenticeship and  
4 training council, shall submit a report to the transportation  
5 committees of the legislature by December 1st of each year beginning in  
6 2012. The report must contain:

7 (a) An analysis of the results of the activities in subsection (4)  
8 of this section;

9 (b) The amount available to the department from federal funds for  
10 the activities in subsection (4) of this section and the amount  
11 expended for those activities; and

12 (c) The performance outcomes achieved from each activity, including  
13 the number of persons receiving services, training, and employment."

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14 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "development;" strike the  
15 remainder of the title and insert "and adding a new section to chapter  
16 47.01 RCW."

EFFECT: (1) Requires the Department of Transportation to expend federal funds received under the Federal Surface Transportation Program to increase diversity in the highway construction workforce.  
(2) Removes the requirement for the Department of Transportation to expend one-half of one percent of the state's apportionment of Federal Surface Transportation Program and Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program funds to provide services to increase diversity in the highway construction workforce.  
(3) Exempts federal funding for local governments from the requirement.

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