Chapter 29
[House Bill No. 759]
Urban Arterial Board--
Urban Arterial Trust Account


Be it enacted by the legislature of the state of Washington:

Section 1. Section 22, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 47.26.160 are each amended to read as follows:

The urban arterial board shall:

(1) Adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this chapter relating to the allocation of funds in the urban arterial trust account of the motor vehicle fund to counties

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and cities.

(2) Adopt reasonably uniform design standards for city and county arterials which meet the requirements for urban development.

(3) Report (annually on the first day of July) biennially on the first day of November of the even-numbered years to the state highway commission and the joint committee on highways regarding progress of cities and counties in developing long range plans for their urban arterial construction and programming or urban arterial construction work and the allocation of urban arterial trust funds to the cities and counties.

Sec. 2. Section 23, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 47.26.170 are each amended to read as follows:

((Prior to January 1, 1969)) The legislative authority of each county or city lying within or having within its boundaries an urban area shall prepare, adopt and submit to the urban arterial board a long range plan for arterial construction, taking into account the comprehensive land use plan of each such jurisdiction and setting forth arterial construction needs through (the year 1985) a fourteen year advanced planning period. The long range arterial construction plans shall be revised by the counties and cities every two years to show the current arterial construction needs through (1985) a fourteen year advanced planning period and as revised shall be submitted to the urban arterial board during the first week of (July) January of every even-numbered year. The long range plans shall be prepared pursuant to guidelines established by the urban arterial board and with the assistance of such board and the state highway commission. Upon receipt of the long range arterial construction plans of the several counties and cities the urban arterial board shall revise the construction needs for urban arterials set forth in such plans as necessary to conform with its uniform standards for establishing construction needs of the counties and cities.

Sec. 3. Section 25, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. as amended by section 4, chapter 171, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 47.26.190 are each amended to read as follows:

Once each calendar quarter, the urban arterial board shall apportion funds credited to the urban arterial trust account, including the proceeds from motor vehicle fuel tax revenues, bond sales and interfund loans, which are available for the construction and improvement of urban arterials among the five regions defined in RCW 47.26.050 in the manner prescribed in RCW 47.26.060 relating to the apportionment of state urban funds except calculation of needs shall be based upon a projection of needs for the ensuing six year period as determined by the state highway commission.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 47.26, RCW d

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new section to read as follows:

The proceeds of not to exceed one-eighth of one cent tax from the seven cents excise tax specified by RCW 82.36.020 to be distributed to the state, cities and counties under the provisions of RCW 46.68.090 and 46.68.100 shall be available to be credited to the urban arterial trust account created by RCW 47.26.080 if the five-eighths of one cent tax provided by RCW 82.36.020 for the urban arterial trust account is insufficient to meet bond retirement requirements for limited obligation bonds authorized by RCW 47.26.420: PROVIDED, That any such revenues that are required for city and county bond retirement requirements shall be repaid to the motor vehicle fund for distribution pursuant to RCW 46.68.100 in the event additional revenues are made available for the city and county urban arterial programs.

Passed the House May 10, 1971.
Passed the Senate May 8, 1971.
Approved by the Governor May 21, 1971 with the exception of section 4 which is vetoed.
Filed in Office of Secretary of State May 21, 1971.

Note: Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"...Section 4 of this bill was added as a floor amendment. This section authorizes the use of 1/8 of 1 cent of motor vehicle fuel taxes to pay debt service on county-city urban arterial bonds. Presently 5/8 of 1 cent of motor vehicle fuel taxes are available for debt service on up to $200,000,000 of urban arterial bonds.

As worded, the section authorizes "not to exceed one-eighth of one cent tax from the seven cents excise tax specified by RCW 82.36.020 to be distributed to the state, cities and counties . . ." for bond retirement purposes. This language could be construed as limiting the amount of motor vehicle fuel taxes available for debt service of urban arterial bonds to the original 5/8 of 1 cent plus the additional 1/8 of 1 cent or a total of 3/4 of 1 cent of taxes. As in the case of all motor vehicle fund bonds, the entire motor vehicle fuel taxes are pledged to pay these bonds by existing statute. Conservative bond counsel would be concerned that the section would reduce the tax revenues pledged to pay debt service from that produced by the 9 cents of motor vehicle fuel taxes to a mere 3/4 of 1 cent. Accordingly, I have vetoed Section 4.
With the exception of Section 4, House Bill 759 is vetoed.

CHAPTER 292
[Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 309]
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