CHAPTER 126 [Senate Bill No. 2590] URBAN ARTERIAL TRUST ACCOUNT FUNDS--PRELIMINARY PROPOSALS--PAYMENT AUTHORITY

AN ACT Relating to urban arterials; amending section 32, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 47.26.260; amending section 25, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. as last amended by section 3, chapter 291, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 47.26.190; amending section 6, chapter 171, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 47.26.450; and adding new sections to chapter 47.26 RCW. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON;

Section 1. Section 32, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. and RCW 47.26.260 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Upon completion of a preliminary proposal, the county or city submitting said proposal shall submit to the urban arterial board its voucher for payment of the trust account share of the cost. Upon the completion of an approved urban arterial construction project, the county or city constructing the project shall submit to the urban arterial board its voucher for the payment of the trust account share of the cost. The chairman of the urban arterial board or his designated agent shall approve such voucher when proper to do so, for payment from the urban arterial trust account to the county or city submitting the voucher.

(2) The urban arterial board may adopt regulations providing for the approval of payments of funds in the urban arterial trust account to a county or city for <u>costs of preliminary proposal</u>, <u>and</u> costs of construction of an approved project from time to time as work progresses. These payments shall at no time exceed the urban arterial trust account share of the costs of construction incurred to the date of the voucher covering such payment.

Sec. 2. Section 25, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. as last amended by section 3, chapter 291, Laws of 1971 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, <u>anticipatory notes</u> 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. Ch. 126 WASHINGTON LAWS, 1973 1st Ex. Sess.

Sec. 3. Section 6, chapter 171, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and RCW 47.26.450 are each amended to read as follows:

At the time the urban arterial board reviews the six-year program of each county and city each even-numbered year, it shall consider and shall approve for inclusion in its recommended budget, as required by RCW 47.26.440, the portion of the urban arterial construction program scheduled to be performed during the biennial following July 1st. Subject to the period beginning the appropriations actually approved by the legislature, the board shall as soon as feasible ((finally approve in whole or in part the construction program for each county and city for the expenditure of funds from the urban arterial trust account during the ensuing biennium)) approve urban arterial trust account funds to be spent during the ensuing biennium for preliminary proposals in priority sequence as established pursuant to RCW 47.26.240. The board shall authorize urban arterial trust account funds for the construction project portion of a project previously authorized for a preliminary proposal in the sequence in which the preliminary proposal has been completed and the construction project is to be placed under At such time the board may reserve urban arterial trust contract. account funds for expenditure in future years as may be necessary for completion of preliminary proposals and construction projects to be commenced in the ensuing biennium.

The urban arterial board may, within the constraints of available urban arterial trust funds, consider additional projects for authorization upon a clear and conclusive showing by the submitting local government that the proposed projects is of an emergent nature and that its need was unable to be anticipated at the time the six-year program of the local government was developed. Such proposed projects shall be evaluated on the basis of the priority rating factors specified in RCW 47.26.220.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. The term "preliminary proposal" as used in this chapter means the preliminary engineering, right of way appraisal and the data collection, analysis and reporting of the environmental impact of a project.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. The term "construction project" as used in this chapter shall mean all work and necessaries subsequent to the preliminary proposal and through to completion.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Sections 5 and 6 of this 1973 amendatory act shall be added to chapter 47.26 RCW.

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