

CHAPTER 360

[House Bill No. 748]

URBAN ARTERIAL BOARD—REGIONAL APPORTIONMENT PERCENTAGE
CALCULATIONS—CERTAIN COUNTY PROJECTS TO HAVE VALUE
ENGINEERING STUDIES

AN ACT Relating to the urban arterial board; and amending RCW 47.26.190 and 47.26.450.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 25, chapter 83, Laws of 1967 ex. sess. as last amended by section 4, chapter 315, Laws of 1981 and RCW 47.26.190 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) At the beginning of each biennium the urban arterial board shall establish apportionment percentages for the five regions defined in RCW 47.26.050 in the following manner (~~prescribed in RCW 47.26.060 for that biennium, except calculations of needs shall be based upon a projection of category A needs for the ensuing six year period as determined by the department of transportation~~);

(a) One-third in the ratio which the population of the urban areas of each region bears to the total population of all of the urban areas of the state as last determined by the office of financial management;

(b) One-third in the ratio which the vehicle to mile ratio traveled on the classified arterial system prescribed in RCW 47.26.180, within the urban areas of each region bears to the total vehicle to mile ratio traveled on all classified urban arterials; and

(c) One-third in the ratio which the city and county urban arterial needs within the urban areas of each region bears to the total urban arterial needs on city and county urban arterial within all urban areas of the state as last revised by the urban arterial board. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, such apportionment percentages shall be used once each calendar quarter by the urban arterial board to apportion funds credited to the urban arterial trust account which are available for expenditure for urban arterial projects: PROVIDED, That any funds ((apportioned to a region and expended for a project which was initially authorized by the urban arterial board in a biennium prior to the 1981-1983 biennium will be apportioned in accordance with apportionment percentages for the five regions which were established in the prior biennium)) credited to the urban arterial trust account subsequent to July 1, 1987, resulting from bond sales in accordance with RCW 47.26.420 through 47.26.427 shall be apportioned according to the percentages for the five regions established for the biennium when the bonding authority was obligated to projects by the urban arterial board.

(2) All amounts credited to the urban arterial trust account, except those provided for in subsection (3) of this section and ~~((except proceeds from the sale of first authorization bonds and))~~ any excise tax revenues that may be required to repay the three series of urban arterial bonds or the interest thereon when due, after apportionment to each region, shall be divided on the basis of relative population established at the beginning of each biennium by the office of financial management between (a) the group of cities and that portion of those counties within federally approved urban areas and (b) the group of incorporated cities outside the boundaries of federally approved urban areas: PROVIDED, That funds credited to the urban arterial trust account subsequent to July 1, 1987, resulting from the sale of bonds in accordance with RCW 47.26.420 through 47.26.427 shall be divided on the basis of relative population percentages established for the biennium when the bonding authority was obligated to projects by the urban arterial board. Within each region, funds divided between the groups identified under (a) and (b) ~~((above))~~ of this subsection shall then be allocated by the urban arterial board to incorporated cities and counties, as the case may be, for the construction of specific urban arterial projects in accordance with the procedures set forth in RCW 47.26.240.

(3) At the beginning of each biennium the urban arterial board shall establish apportionment percentages for each of the five regions for the apportionment of the proceeds from the sale of fifteen million dollars of series II bonds and sixteen million dollars of series III bonds authorized by RCW 47.26.420, as now or hereafter amended, in the ratio which the population of the incorporated cities and towns lying outside the boundaries of federally approved urban areas of each region bears to the total population of all incorporated cities and towns of the state lying outside the boundaries of federally approved urban areas, as such populations are determined at the beginning of each biennium by the office of financial management. Such apportionment percentages shall be used once each calendar quarter by the urban arterial board to apportion funds credited to the urban arterial trust account which are available for expenditure for urban arterial projects under this subsection: PROVIDED, That any funds ((apportioned to a region and expended for a project which was initially authorized by the urban arterial board in a biennium prior to the 1981-1983 biennium will be apportioned in accordance with apportionment percentages for the five regions which were established in the prior biennium)) credited to the urban arterial trust account subsequent to July 1, 1987, resulting from the sale of bonds in accordance with RCW 47.26.420 through 47.26.427 shall be apportioned with percentages for the five regions established for the biennium when the bonding authority was obligated to projects by the urban arterial board. Funds apportioned to each region shall be allocated by the urban arterial

board to incorporated cities lying outside the boundaries of federally approved urban areas, for the construction of specific urban arterial projects in accordance with the procedures set forth in RCW 47.26.240.

Sec. 2. Section 6, chapter 171, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as amended by section 3, chapter 126, Laws of 1973 1st 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 period beginning the following July 1st. Subject to the appropriations actually approved by the legislature, the board shall as soon as feasible 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. In the case of projects whose total cost exceeds one million dollars as reflected in the six-year program, the agency with jurisdiction shall furnish to the board a value engineering study performed by an interagency team approved by the board, to determine whether the proposed improvement provides a cost-effective solution for the project before the board may approve urban arterial trust funds for either the preliminary or construction phase of the project. The board may authorize a variance from the value engineering study upon a determination that the study is not warranted. The board may also require a value engineering study for a project whose total cost is less than one million dollars upon a determination by the board that the study is warranted.

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 contract. At such time the board may reserve urban arterial trust 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 project 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.

Passed the House April 21, 1987.

Passed the Senate April 16, 1987.

Approved by the Governor May 13, 1987.

Filed in Office of Secretary of State May 13, 1987.