HOUSE BACKGROUND SUMMARY
2ESHB 1371

As Passed House:
February 8, 2024

Title: An act relating to government incentives for improving freight railroad infrastructure.

Brief Description: Providing incentives to improve freight railroad infrastructure.

Sponsors: House Committee on Finance (originally sponsored by Representatives Barkis, Leavitt, Orcutt, Fey, Barnard, Chapman, Low, Connors, Goehner, Chambers, Chandler, Couture, Griffey, Hutchins, Robertson, Volz, Walsh, Christian, Doglio, Schmick and Gregerson).

Brief History:
Committee Activity:
Finance: 1/31/23, 2/22/23 [DPS].
Floor Activity:
Passed House: 3/16/23, 92-4.
Floor Activity:
Passed House: 2/8/24, 95-0.

Voting Yea: Representatives Abbarno, Alvarado, Barkis, Barnard, Bateman, Berg, Bergquist, Berry, Bronoske, Caldier, Callan, Chambers, Chapman, Cheney, Chopp, Christian, Connors, Corry, Cortes, Couture, Davis, Dent, Doglio, Donaghy, Duerr, Dye, Entenman, Eslick, Farivar, Fey, Fosse, Goehner, Goodman, Graham, Gregerson, Griffey, Hackney, Harris, Hutchins, Jacobsen, Klicker, Kloba, Kretz, Leavitt, Low, Macri, Maycumber, McClintock, McEntire, Mena, Morgan, Mosbrucker, Nance, Orcutt, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Paul, Peterson, Pollet, Ramel, Ramos, Reed, Reeves, Riccelli, Robertson, Rude, Rule, Ryu, Sandlin, Santos, Schmick, Schmidt, Senn, Shavers, Simmons, Slatter, Springer, Stearns, Steele, Stokesbary, Stonier, Street, Taylor, Thai, Tharinger, Timmons, Volz, Walen, Walsh, Waters, Wilcox, Wylie, Ybarra and Jinkins

Voting Nay:

Absent:

Excused: Representatives Chandler, Fitzgibbon and Lekanoff

Persons Testifying: (In support) Representative Andrew Barkis, prime sponsor; Cynthia Stewart, League of Women Voters of Washington; Eric Temple, Portland Vancouver Junction Railroad; Patrick Boss, Columbia Basin Railroad and Central Washington Railroad; Ross Lane, Puget Sound and Pacific Railroad; Jeff Van Schaick, Jaguar Transport Holdings; Ryan Pidde, Mickelson and Company Limited Liability Company; and Chris Herman, Washington Public Ports Association.

(Other) Adam LeMieux, Port of Everett.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.