

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**SB 5504**

**Department of Aviation**

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To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
Carrier:	Senator Hansell

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SB 5504 is the budget bill for the Department of Aviation.

The recommended budget for the agency is \$23,054,205 all funds, which is a 27% decrease from the legislatively approved budget for the 2019-20 biennium and a 6% decrease from current service level. The decrease from the legislatively approved budget is from the elimination of federally funded capital construction projects due to funding uncertainties driven by the impacts of the pandemic; and the January 2022 sunset of the two-cent aviation fuel tax increase established in 2015 which funds the Aviation System Action Program. The decrease from current service level is due to recommended packages 070 and 090 both of which make reductions responding to lower aviation fuels tax revenue stemming from the pandemic shutdown.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends SB 5504 be amended by the -1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.