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From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee

SB 375 Relating to posting at roadside rest areas informational materials on human Re:

trafficking

Senator Hansell: "SB 375 seeks to raise awareness of human trafficking by posting informational materials in bathroom stalls at roadside rest areas throughout the state. To this end, the bill sets up a Human Trafficking Awareness Fund in both the Department of Transportation and the State Parks and Recreation Department; authorizes both agencies to receive gifts and grants to be deposited into the newly established funds to cover any costs related to the posting of information on human trafficking; and establishes standards related to the type of information that can be posted. For example, all materials must include telephone hotline numbers to seek help or report unlawful activity, a hotline text messaging number, and be available in multiple languages.

Under SB 375, nonprofit organizations that supply copies of informational materials for distribution in rest areas must do so at no cost to the state. The bill is anticipated to have a minimal fiscal impact.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends SB 375 be reported out do pass."