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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Discussion of Whatcom County Executive's veto of Ordinance 2023-045, an ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 13.24, Ferry Rates (action may be taken on this item)

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

On July 25, 2023, the County Council adopted Ordinance 2023-045 (an ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 13.24, Ferry Rates). The adopted ordinance was delivered to the Executive's Office for signature and the Executive vetoed the ordinance and returned it to Council with written objections, as required by the following:

Excerpt - Whatcom County Charter Section 2.30

Every ordinance which passes the County Council must be presented to the County Executive. If approved by the Executive, the ordinance shall be signed by the Executive and become law as provided in this section. If not approved by the Executive, the entire ordinance shall be vetoed and returned with the Executive's written objections, which shall be entered in the journal of Council proceedings. If, within thirty (30) days after being returned to the Council, the ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire Council, it shall become law. If the Executive does not either sign or veto an ordinance within ten (10) days, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays excepted, after presentation of the ordinance by the Council, it shall become law without the Executive's signature.