SENATE BILL REPORT HB 1431

As Reported by Senate Committee On: Transportation, March 24, 2009

Title: An act relating to the designation of certain state routes as highways of statewide significance.

Brief Description: Designating certain state routes as highways of statewide significance.

Sponsors: Representatives Sells, Liias, Morris, Clibborn, Eddy, McCoy and Kenney; by request of Department of Transportation.

Brief History: Passed House: 2/27/09, 94-0. Committee Activity: Transportation: 3/23/09, 3/24/09 [DP, DNP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Becker, Berkey, Delvin, Kauffman, Kilmer, King and Ranker.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by Senator Kastama.

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Background: The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) plans for improvements to highways of statewide significance in the statewide multimodal transportation plan. State highways of significance are considered essential public facilities and are therefore exempt from concurrency requirements of the Growth Management Act. State law directs WSDOT to periodically review the classifications of state highways and report any recommended changes to the Office of Financial Management and the transportation committees of the Legislature.

Summary of Bill: The following three segments of Washington highways are designated as highways of statewide significance: State Route 11 from Interstate 5 to 12th Street near the Alaska Marine Highway System ferry terminal in Bellingham; State Route 529 from the Port of Everett north to Interstate 5 near Marysville; and State Route 599 from Interstate 5 to State Route 99 in Tukwila.

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Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: None.

Persons Testifying: No one.