SENATE BILL REPORT SJM 8006

As Passed Senate, February 26, 2009

Brief Description: Requesting that state route number 502 be named the "Battle Ground Highway" and that a portion of state route number 503 be named the "Lewisville Highway.".

Sponsors: Senator Zarelli.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 1/29/09 [DP].

Passed Senate: 2/26/09, 41-6.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Becker, Benton, Berkey, Delvin, Eide, Jacobsen, Jarrett, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, King, Ranker and Sheldon.

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Background: Current law authorizes the Transportation Commission to name or rename state transportation facilities. The process to name or rename a facility can be initiated by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), state, and local governmental entities, citizen organizations, or by any individual person. In order for the commission to consider the proposal, the requesting entity must provide sufficient evidence indicating community support and acceptance of the proposal. This evidence can include a letter of support from the state or federal legislator representing the area encompassing the facility to be renamed. Other evidence that would provide proof of community support includes a resolution passed by other elected bodies in the impacted area, WSDOT support, and supportive action from a local organization such as a chamber of commerce.

Summary of Bill: The Transportation Commission is requested to change the name of State Route 502 to the Battle Ground Highway. Also the Transportation Commission is requested to change the name of State Route 503 from the junction with State Route 500 at Orchards and north to the junction with State Route 502 at Battle Ground and north to Amboy to Lewisville Highway.

Appropriation: None.

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Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: None.

Persons Testifying: No one.

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