Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research



Transportation Committee

SB 5030

Brief Description: Extending the Chinook scenic byway.

Sponsors: Senators Roach and Shin.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Extends a section of the Chinook Scenic Byway on State Route 410 by approximately four miles.

Hearing Date: 3/25/13

Staff: Alyssa Ball (786-7140).

Background:

The state Scenic and Recreational Highway System was created in 1967. A highway does not become part of the Scenic and Recreational Highway System unless approved by the Legislature. A highway designated as part of the state Scenic and Recreational Highway System is subject to restrictions on the type of signage that may be displayed along it.

Once a road is part of the state Scenic and Recreational Highway system, it becomes eligible for nomination to the National Scenic Byway Program. The most recent federal legislation regarding the National Scenic Byway Program went into effect on October 1, 2012. The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) completely eliminates the National Scenic Byways program; however, some scenic byway projects will still be eligible under the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) which was created as part of the MAP-21.

Currently, one section of State Route 410 is designated as a scenic and recreational highway: from 4 miles east of Enumclaw to the junction with State Route 12.

Summary of Bill:

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not a part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

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One section of State Route 410 that is designated as a scenic and recreational highway is extended by approximately 4 miles. This action extends the designation to Farman Street in Enumclaw.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.