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HOUSE BILL 1185

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By Representatives Wensman, Bush, Mielke, Huff, Ballasiotes, Esser and Lambert

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- AN ACT Relating to high-occupancy vehicle lanes; and amending RCW 46.61.165.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.61.165 and 1998 c 245 s 90 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- The state department of transportation and the local authorities are authorized to reserve all or any portion of any highway under their
- 8 respective jurisdictions as high-occupancy vehicle lanes, including any
- 9 designated lane or ramp, for the exclusive or preferential use of
- 10 public transportation vehicles or private motor vehicles carrying no
- 11 fewer than a specified number of passengers when such limitation will
- 12 increase the efficient utilization of the highway or will aid in the
- 13 conservation of energy resources. ((There is hereby appropriated from
- 14 the transportation fund--state to the department of transportation,
- 15 program C for the period ending June 30, 1993, an additional \$15
- 16 million for the sole purpose of expediting completion of the HOV core
- 17 lane system.)) Regulations authorizing such exclusive or preferential
- 18 use of a highway facility ((may be declared to be)) are effective ((at
- 19 all times or at specified times of day or on specified days)) only from

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- 1 6:00 through 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 through 6:00 p.m. Monday through
- 2 Friday, excluding state holidays.

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