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By Representatives Bush, Thomas, Cairnes, Talcott, Fortunato, Campbell, Sullivan, Esser, McDonald, Wensman and Benson

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1 AN ACT Relating to high-occupancy vehicle lanes; and amending RCW
2 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:

6 The state department of transportation and the local authorities
7 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

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

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