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HOUSE BILL 1703

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HIGHWAY PROPERTY--DISPOSITION TO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITIES

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Passed by the House March 10, 1999 CERTIFICATE Yeas 97 Nays 0 We, Dean R. Foster and Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerks of the House CLYDE BALLARD of Representatives of the State of Speaker of the House of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1703** as Representatives passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth. FRANK CHOPP Speaker of the House of Representatives DEAN R. FOSTER Chief Clerk Passed by the Senate April 15, 1999 TIMOTHY A. MARTIN Yeas 33 Nays 13 Chief Clerk BRAD OWEN President of the Senate Approved May 7, 1999 FILED May 7, 1999 - 3:51 p.m. Secretary of State GARY LOCKE State of Washington Governor of the State of Washington

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By Representatives Cooper, Ericksen, Mitchell and Fisher
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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the disposition of state highway property; and 2 amending RCW 47.12.063.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.12.063 and 1993 c 461 s 11 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) It is the intent of the legislature to continue the 7 department's policy giving priority consideration to abutting property 8 owners in agricultural areas when disposing of property through its 9 surplus property program under this section.
- 10 (2) Whenever the department determines that any real property owned 11 by the state of Washington and under the jurisdiction of the department 12 is no longer required for transportation purposes and that it is in the 13 public interest to do so, the department may sell the property or 14 exchange it in full or part consideration for land or improvements or 15 for construction of improvements at fair market value to any of the 16 following governmental entities or persons:
- 17 (a) Any other state agency;
- 18 (b) The city or county in which the property is situated;
- 19 (c) Any other municipal corporation;

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- 1 (d) Regional transit authorities created under chapter 81.112 RCW;
- 2 <u>(e)</u> The former owner of the property from whom the state acquired 3 title;
- 4 (((e))) <u>(f)</u> In the case of residentially improved property, a 5 tenant of the department who has resided thereon for not less than six 6 months and who is not delinquent in paying rent to the state;
 - ((f))) (g) Any abutting private owner but only after each other abutting private owner (if any), as shown in the records of the county assessor, is notified in writing of the proposed sale. If more than one abutting private owner requests in writing the right to purchase the property within fifteen days after receiving notice of the proposed sale, the property shall be sold at public auction in the manner provided in RCW 47.12.283;
- 14 $((\frac{g}{g}))$ (h) To any person through the solicitation of written bids through public advertising in the manner prescribed by RCW 47.28.050;
- 16 $((\frac{h}{h}))$ <u>(i)</u> To any other owner of real property required for 17 transportation purposes; or
- ((\(\frac{(\(\frac{1}{i}\)}{i}\))) (j) In the case of property suitable for residential use, any nonprofit organization dedicated to providing affordable housing to very low-income, low-income, and moderate-income households as defined in RCW 43.63A.510 and is eligible to receive assistance through the Washington housing trust fund created in chapter 43.185 RCW.
- (3) Sales to purchasers may at the department's option be for cash, 24 by real estate contract, or exchange of land or improvements. 25 Transactions involving the construction of improvements must be 26 conducted pursuant to chapter 47.28 RCW or Title 39 RCW, as applicable, 27 and must comply with all other applicable laws and rules.
- (4) Conveyances made pursuant to this section shall be by deed executed by the secretary of transportation and shall be duly acknowledged.
- (5) All moneys received pursuant to the provisions of this section less any real estate broker commissions paid pursuant to RCW 47.12.320 shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund.

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