# FINAL BILL REPORT HB 1750

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Authorizing cities and towns to require full compensation from abutting property owners for street vacations.

**Sponsors:** By Representatives Fisher, Mitchell, Simpson, Schindler, Wood, Hurst and Ogden.

**House Committee on Transportation Senate Committee on Transportation** 

## **Background:**

Owners of property that abuts a street or alley may petition to have the street or alley vacated and acquire that portion of the vacated street or alley that abuts their property. A city or town may also initiate a vacation procedure. The abutting property owner is required to pay up to one-half the appraised value of the area vacated.

## **Summary:**

A city or town may only receive the full appraised value for vacated street right-of-way property it has owned for 25 or more years. For property held less than 25 years, the limit of one-half the appraised value stays in effect. Half of the revenue from vacating street right-of-way must be used for open space or transportation capital projects within the city or town.

#### **Votes on Final Passage:**

House 93 0

Senate 40 6 (Senate amended)

House 93 0 (House concurred)

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