

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 2318

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As of February 19, 2024

**Title:** An act relating to state route number 501.

**Brief Description:** Concerning state route number 501.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Orcutt, Wylie, Cheney and Abbarno.

**Brief History:** Passed House: 2/8/24, 96-0.

**Committee Activity:** Transportation: 2/20/24.

### Brief Summary of Bill

- Removes the three-mile section of State Route 501 within the city limits of Ridgefield from the state highway system.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Staff:** Megan Tudor (786-7478)

**Background:** Washington State's highways are designated by the Legislature and codified in Chapter 47.17 RCW. State Route 501 (SR 501) is a 14-mile route in Clark County located in southwest Washington. SR 501 is split into two sections; a three-mile northern section running east-west through the City of Ridgefield from Pioneer Street to Interstate-5 (I-5) and an 11-mile southern section beginning at the interchange of I-5 near downtown Vancouver and ending south of Post Office Lake in the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge. The southern section is designated as the Erwin O. Rieger Memorial Highway.

**Summary of Bill:** The three-mile section of SR 501 between mile posts 16.91 to 19.88 is transferred to the City of Ridgefield, removing it from the state highway system. The 11-mile southern section of SR 501, known as the Erwin O Rieger Memorial Highway remains in the state highway system.

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**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available. New fiscal note requested on February 14, 2024.

**Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members:** No.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.