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By Senators Haugen, Gardner, Prentice, Kline and Spanel

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1            AN ACT Relating to exclusion of on and off-ramps of interstate  
2 highways from transportation facilities of state-wide significance; and  
3 amending RCW 47.06.140.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.06.140 and 1998 c 171 s 7 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            The legislature declares the following transportation facilities  
8 and services to be of state-wide significance: The interstate highway  
9 system excluding on and off-ramps, interregional state principal  
10 arterials including ferry connections that serve state-wide travel,  
11 intercity passenger rail services, intercity high-speed ground  
12 transportation, major passenger intermodal terminals excluding all  
13 airport facilities and services, the freight railroad system, the  
14 Columbia/Snake navigable river system, marine port facilities and  
15 services that are related solely to marine activities affecting  
16 international and interstate trade, and high-capacity transportation  
17 systems serving regions as defined in RCW 81.104.015. The department,  
18 in cooperation with regional transportation planning organizations,  
19 counties, cities, transit agencies, public ports, private railroad

1 operators, and private transportation providers, as appropriate, shall  
2 plan for improvements to transportation facilities and services of  
3 state-wide significance in the state-wide multimodal plan.  
4 Improvements to facilities and services of state-wide significance  
5 identified in the state-wide multimodal plan are essential state public  
6 facilities under RCW 36.70A.200.

7 The department of transportation, in consultation with local  
8 governments, shall set level of service standards for state highways  
9 and state ferry routes of state-wide significance. Although the  
10 department shall consult with local governments when setting level of  
11 service standards, the department retains authority to make final  
12 decisions regarding level of service standards for state highways and  
13 state ferry routes of state-wide significance. In establishing level  
14 of service standards for state highways and state ferry routes of  
15 state-wide significance, the department shall consider the necessary  
16 balance between providing for the free interjurisdictional movement of  
17 people and goods and the needs of local communities using these  
18 facilities.

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