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Sponsor(s): Representatives Pennington, D. Schmidt, Kagi and Ruderman

Brief Description: Extending the use of high-occupancy vehicle lanes to clean-fuel vehicles.

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Finds that the goals of the state and federal clean air acts will be advanced by extending the use of the high-occupancy vehicle lanes to federally certified clean-fuel vehicles as long as the vehicles are not a significant cause of congestion in the high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

Authorizes the state department of transportation and the local authorities, in consultation with the department of ecology, to permit a vehicle with one or more occupants to operate in high-occupancy vehicle lanes if it is certified as an inherently low-emission vehicle, ultra low-emission vehicle, or zero-emission vehicle pursuant to Title 40, Chapter 1, Part 88, Code of Federal Regulations, is labeled in accordance with section 88.312-93(c) of that title, and bears a special clean-fuel license plate as provided in this act.