

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 5937

---

---

C 55 L 03  
Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Adding to the scenic and recreational highway system.

**Sponsors:** Senators Parlette, Jacobsen, Haugen, Sheahan and Shin.

**Senate Committee on Highways & Transportation**  
**House Committee on Transportation**

**Background:** The Department of Transportation is directed in statute to develop criteria for assessing scenic byways and appropriate methods for nominations and applications for the designation and removal of the designation of the byways. Any person may nominate a roadway, path, or trail for inclusion in the program. The department must submit its recommendations to the Transportation Commission. The commission may designate, on an interim basis, state scenic byways. The commission has designated the US 97 Scenic Byway and the Palouse Country Scenic Byway as interim scenic byways. Per statute, the Legislature must approve this designation in order for it to become official.

**Summary:** The US 97 Scenic Byway and the Palouse Country Scenic Byway are designated as State Scenic Byways.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	48	1
House	96	0

**Effective:** July 27, 2003