
SENATE BILL 6091

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By Senator Esser

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1 AN ACT Relating to assuring that the rights of way of state
2 highways accommodate the deployment of personal wireless service
3 facilities; amending RCW 47.52.001; and adding a new section to chapter
4 47.04 RCW.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.52.001 and 1961 c 13 s 47.52.001 are each amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) Unrestricted access to and from public highways has resulted in
9 congestion and peril for the traveler. It has caused undue slowing of
10 all traffic in many areas. The investment of the public in highway
11 facilities has been impaired and highway facilities costing vast sums
12 of money will have to be relocated and reconstructed.

13 (2) Personal wireless service is a critical part of the state's
14 infrastructure. The rapid deployment of personal wireless service
15 facilities is critical to ensure public safety, network access, quality
16 of service, and rural economic development.

17 (3) It is, therefore, the declared policy of this state to limit
18 access to the highway facilities of this state in the interest of
19 highway safety and for the preservation of the investment of the public

1 in such facilities, and to assure that the use of rights of way of
2 limited access facilities accommodate the deployment of personal
3 wireless service facilities consistent with these interests.

4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 47.04 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 Personal wireless service is a critical part of the state's
7 infrastructure. The rapid deployment of personal wireless service
8 facilities is critical to ensure public safety, network access, quality
9 of service, and rural economic development.

10 It is the declared policy of this state to assure that the use of
11 rights of way of state highways accommodate the deployment of personal
12 wireless service facilities consistent with highway safety and the
13 preservation of the public investment in state highway facilities.

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