

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6555

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Transportation, January 27, 2010

Title: An act relating to removing state route number 908 from the state highway system.

Brief Description: Removing state route number 908 from the state highway system.

Sponsors: Senators Tom and Haugen; by request of Wa. St. Transportation Commission.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 1/26/10, 1/27/10 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Becker, Berkey, Delvin, Eide, Hatfield, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, King and Ranker.

Staff: Hayley Gamble (786-7452)

Background: The Washington State Transportation Commission (Commission) is responsible for reviewing requests from local jurisdictions and the Department of Transportation (DOT) to transfer state highways into the local road system, or to transfer local roads into the state highway system. The Commission is then required to forward these recommendations to the Legislature for formal transfer through legislation. The criteria for evaluating jurisdictional road transfers are laid out in RCW 47.17.001.

Legislation passed in 2009 transferred the responsibility for reviewing route jurisdictional transfers from the Transportation Improvement Board to the Commission.

A portion of State Route (SR) 908 was transferred to the City of Kirkland in 1992. The remaining portion of SR 908 runs from Interstate 405 in Kirkland to SR 202 in Redmond.

Summary of Bill: SR 908 is removed from the state highway system.

Appropriation: None.

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not a part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

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

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: The Commission supports transfer of this route. SR 908 no longer serves the function of a state highway. The cities would like to take ownership of SR 908. Funding programmed for pavement work should also be transferred to the cities when the route is transferred.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Carol Moser, Washington State Transportation Commission; Doug Levy, City of Redmond.