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By Senators Murray, Kohl-Welles, White, Kline, Prentice, Nelson, Brown, McAuliffe, and Keiser

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1 AN ACT Relating to reconvening the Alaskan Way viaduct and Seattle  
2 Seawall replacement project expert review panel; and adding a new  
3 section to chapter 47.01 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 47.01 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 The department shall reconvene an expert review panel as described  
8 under RCW 47.01.400 for the purpose of updating the work that was  
9 previously completed by the panel on the Alaskan Way viaduct and  
10 Seattle Seawall replacement project and to ensure that an appropriate  
11 and viable financial plan is created and regularly reviewed. The  
12 expert review panel must be selected cooperatively by the chairs of the  
13 senate and house of representatives transportation committees, the  
14 secretary of transportation, the speaker of the house of  
15 representatives, the majority leader of the senate, and the governor.  
16 The expert review panel must report updated findings and  
17 recommendations to the transportation committees of the legislature and  
18 the governor's Alaskan Way viaduct program oversight committee by  
19 September 1, 2011, and every six months thereafter until the project is

1 operationally complete. Upon receipt of the expert review panel's  
2 updated findings and recommendations, the governor must determine  
3 whether the financial plan for the Alaskan Way viaduct and Seattle  
4 Seawall replacement project is feasible and sufficient to complete the  
5 project as described in the final environmental impact statement.

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