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1 AN ACT Relating to modifying the transportation system policy goals  
2 to include economic vitality; and amending RCW 47.04.280.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.04.280 and 2007 c 516 s 3 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) It is the intent of the legislature to establish policy goals  
7 for the planning, operation, performance of, and investment in, the  
8 state's transportation system. The policy goals established under this  
9 section are deemed consistent with the benchmark categories adopted by  
10 the state's blue ribbon commission on transportation on November 30,  
11 2000. Public investments in transportation should support achievement  
12 of these policy goals:

13 (a) Economic vitality: To promote and develop transportation  
14 systems that stimulate, support, and enhance the movement of people and  
15 goods to ensure a prosperous economy;

16 (b) Preservation: To maintain, preserve, and extend the life and  
17 utility of prior investments in transportation systems and services;

18 ((+b)) (c) Safety: To provide for and improve the safety and  
19 security of transportation customers and the transportation system;

1        ~~((e))~~ (d) Mobility: To improve the predictable movement of goods  
2 and people throughout Washington state;

3        ~~((d))~~ (e) Environment: To enhance Washington's quality of life  
4 through transportation investments that promote energy conservation,  
5 enhance healthy communities, and protect the environment; and

6        ~~((e))~~ (f) Stewardship: To continuously improve the quality,  
7 effectiveness, and efficiency of the transportation system.

8        (2) The powers, duties, and functions of state transportation  
9 agencies must be performed in a manner consistent with the policy goals  
10 set forth in subsection (1) of this section.

11        (3) These policy goals are intended to be the basis for  
12 establishing detailed and measurable objectives and related performance  
13 measures.

14        (4) It is the intent of the legislature that the office of  
15 financial management establish objectives and performance measures for  
16 the department of transportation and other state agencies with  
17 transportation-related responsibilities to ensure transportation system  
18 performance at local, regional, and state government levels progresses  
19 toward the attainment of the policy goals set forth in subsection (1)  
20 of this section. The office of financial management shall submit  
21 initial objectives and performance measures to the legislature for its  
22 review and shall provide copies of the same to the commission during  
23 the 2008 legislative session. The office of financial management shall  
24 submit objectives and performance measures to the legislature for its  
25 review and shall provide copies of the same to the commission during  
26 each regular session of the legislature during an even-numbered year  
27 thereafter.

28        (5) This section does not create a private right of action.

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