
HOUSE BILL 1501

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1 AN ACT Relating to eliminating restrictions on vehicle miles
2 traveled; amending RCW 47.01.078; and repealing RCW 47.01.440 and
3 70.235.070.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The following acts or parts of acts are each
6 repealed:

7 (1) RCW 47.01.440 (Adoption of statewide goals to reduce annual per
8 capita vehicle miles traveled by 2050--Department's duties--Reports to
9 the legislature) and 2008 c 14 s 8; and

10 (2) RCW 70.235.070 (Distribution of funds for infrastructure and
11 capital development projects--Prerequisites) and 2009 c 519 s 9.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 47.01.078 and 2007 c 516 s 6 are each amended to read
13 as follows:

14 To support achievement of the policy goals described in RCW
15 47.04.280, the department shall:

16 (1) Maintain an inventory of the condition of structures and
17 corridors in most urgent need of retrofit or rehabilitation;

1 (2) Develop long-term financing tools that reliably provide ongoing
2 maintenance and preservation of the transportation infrastructure;
3 (3) Balance system safety and convenience through all phases of a
4 project to accommodate all users of the transportation system to
5 safely, reliably, and efficiently provide mobility to people and goods;
6 (4) (~~Develop strategies to gradually reduce the per capita vehicle~~
7 ~~miles traveled based on consideration of a range of reduction methods;~~
8 ~~+5~~) Consider efficiency tools, including high occupancy vehicle
9 and high occupancy toll lanes, corridor-specific and systemwide pricing
10 strategies, active traffic management, commute trip reduction, and
11 other demand management tools;
12 (~~+6~~) (5) Promote integrated multimodal planning; and
13 (~~+7~~) (6) Consider engineers and architects to design
14 environmentally sustainable, context-sensitive transportation systems.

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