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**SENATE BILL 5368**

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**By** Senators Wagoner, Warnick, Bailey, Honeyford, and Van De Wege

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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring the department of natural resources  
2 to maintain the department's roads that are the exclusive means of  
3 accessing private property by road; and adding a new section to  
4 chapter 79.38 RCW.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 79.38  
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 The department shall maintain any road under its ownership or  
9 control that has been the exclusive means of accessing private  
10 property by road for a continuous period of at least ten years. The  
11 duty imposed on the department under this section terminates if the  
12 property that is made accessible by a road under the department's  
13 ownership or control ceases to be privately owned.

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