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By Representatives R. Fisher, Schmidt, R. Meyers, Brown, Jones, Johanson, Cothorn, J. Kohl, Horn and Wood; by request of Department of Transportation

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1 AN ACT Relating to development of a public transportation policy
2 plan; and adding a new section to chapter 47.01 RCW.

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

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

6 The state-interest component of the state-wide transportation plan
7 must include a state public transportation plan that recognizes that
8 while public transportation service is essentially a local
9 responsibility in Washington, there is significant state interest in
10 assuring that viable public transportation services are available
11 throughout the state. The public transportation plan shall:

12 (1) Articulate the state vision of and interest in public
13 transportation and provide quantifiable objectives, including benefits
14 indicators;

15 (2) Identify the goals for public transportation and the roles of
16 federal, state, regional, and local entities in achieving those goals;

17 (3) Recommend mechanisms for coordinating federal, state, regional,
18 and local planning for public transportation;

1 (4) Recommend mechanisms for coordinating public transportation
2 with other transportation services;

3 (5) Recommend criteria, consistent with the goals identified in
4 subsection (2) of this section and with RCW 82.44.180 (2) and (3), for
5 existing federal authorizations administered by the department to
6 transit agencies; and

7 (6) Recommend a state-wide public transportation facilities and
8 equipment management system as required by federal law.

9 In developing the state public transportation plan, the department
10 shall involve local jurisdictions, public and private providers of
11 public transportation services, and state agencies with an interest in
12 public transportation, including but not limited to the departments of
13 community development, social and health services, and ecology, the
14 state energy office, the office of financial management, and the office
15 of the governor.

16 The department shall submit an initial report to the legislative
17 transportation committee by December 1, 1993, and shall provide annual
18 reports summarizing the plan's progress each year thereafter.

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