
HOUSE BILL 1525

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By Representatives K. Schmidt, Hatfield and Skinner; by request of
County Road Administration Board

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Policy & Budget.

1 AN ACT Relating to the submittal date for county six-year
2 transportation programs; and reenacting and amending RCW 36.81.121.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.81.121 and 1994 c 179 s 2 and 1994 c 158 s 8 are
5 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

6 (1) At any time before (~~July 1st of each year~~) adoption of the
7 budget, the legislative authority of each county, after one or more
8 public hearings thereon, shall prepare and adopt a comprehensive
9 transportation program for the ensuing six calendar years. If the
10 county has adopted a comprehensive plan pursuant to chapter 35.63 or
11 36.70 RCW, the inherent authority of a charter county derived from its
12 charter, or chapter 36.70A RCW, the program shall be consistent with
13 this comprehensive plan.

14 The program shall include proposed road and bridge construction
15 work and other transportation facilities and programs deemed
16 appropriate, and for those counties operating ferries shall also
17 include a separate section showing proposed capital expenditures for
18 ferries, docks, and related facilities. Copies of the program shall be
19 filed with the county road administration board and with the state

1 secretary of transportation not more than thirty days after its
2 adoption by the legislative authority. The purpose of this section is
3 to assure that each county shall perpetually have available advanced
4 plans looking to the future for not less than six years as a guide in
5 carrying out a coordinated transportation program. The program may at
6 any time be revised by a majority of the legislative authority but only
7 after a public hearing thereon.

8 (2) Each six-year transportation program forwarded to the secretary
9 in compliance with subsection (1) of this section shall contain
10 information as to how a county will expend its moneys, including funds
11 made available pursuant to chapter 47.30 RCW, for nonmotorized
12 transportation purposes.

13 (3) Each six-year transportation program forwarded to the secretary
14 in compliance with subsection (1) of this section shall contain
15 information as to how a county shall act to preserve railroad right-of-
16 way in the event the railroad ceases to operate in the county's
17 jurisdiction.

18 (4) The six-year plan for each county shall specifically set forth
19 those projects and programs of regional significance for inclusion in
20 the transportation improvement program within that region.

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