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Sponsor(s): Senators Jacobsen, Haugen, Rasmussen, Gardner, Prentice, Patterson, Winsley and Fraser

Brief Description: Creating a scenic byways designation program.

**SB 5273 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Declares that, recognizing that the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century establishes a national "scenic byway" program that could benefit state and local roadways, the Washington state scenic byway designation program is revised to address state and local transportation routes.

Requires the department, in consultation with the department of community, trade, and economic development, the department of natural resources, the parks and recreation commission, affected cities, towns, and counties, federally recognized tribes, regional transportation planning organizations, state-wide bicycling organizations, and other interested parties, to develop by December 31, 1999, criteria for assessing scenic byways and heritage tour routes and an appropriate method of nomination and application for the designation and removal of the designation of the byways.

Repeals RCW 47.39.070.