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By House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Sullivan, Fisher, Mitchell, Hurst, Bush, Darneille, Jarrett, Rockefeller, Ogden, Edwards, Simpson, Haigh, Nixon, Anderson, Kenney, Kirby and Jackley)

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1 AN ACT Relating to signs on bus shelters; amending RCW 47.36.030;
2 and adding a new section to chapter 47.36 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 47.36 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Local transit authority bus shelters within the right of way of
7 the state highway system may display and maintain commercial
8 advertisements subject to applicable federal regulations, if any.
9 Pursuant to RCW 47.12.120, the department shall lease state right of
10 way air space to local transit authorities for this purpose, unless
11 there are significant safety concerns regarding the placement of
12 certain advertisements.

13 (2) Advertisements posted on a local transit authority's bus
14 shelter may not exceed twenty-four square feet on each side of the
15 panel. One back-to-back panel is allowed on the downstream side of the
16 shelter.

17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 47.36.030 and 1977 ex.s. c 151 s 61 are each amended
18 to read as follows:

1 The secretary of transportation shall have the power and it shall
2 be its duty to adopt and designate a uniform state standard for the
3 manufacture, display, erection, and location of all signs, signals,
4 signboards, guideposts, and other traffic devices erected or to be
5 erected upon the state highways of the state of Washington for the
6 purpose of furnishing information to persons traveling upon such state
7 highways regarding traffic regulations, directions, distances, points
8 of danger, and conditions requiring caution, and for the purpose of
9 imposing restrictions upon persons operating vehicles thereon. Such
10 signs shall conform as nearly as practicable to the manual of
11 specifications for the manufacture, display, and erection of uniform
12 traffic control devices for streets and highways and all amendments,
13 corrections, and additions thereto. The department of transportation
14 shall prepare plans and specifications of the uniform state standard of
15 traffic devices so adopted and designated, showing the materials,
16 colors, and designs thereof, and shall upon the issuance of any such
17 plans and specifications or revisions thereof and upon request, furnish
18 to the boards of county commissioners and the governing body of any
19 incorporated city or town, a copy thereof. Signs, signals, signboards,
20 guideposts, and other traffic devices erected on county roads shall
21 conform in all respects to the specifications of color, design, and
22 location approved by the secretary. Traffic devices hereafter erected
23 within incorporated cities and towns shall conform to such uniform
24 state standard of traffic devices so far as is practicable. The
25 uniform system must allow local transit authority bus shelters located
26 within the right of way of the state highway system to display and
27 maintain commercial advertisements subject to applicable federal
28 regulations, if any.

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