

SHB 1490 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-2585.4/09) **426**

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1 On page 1 of the striking amendment, strike all material after
2 line 2 and insert the following:

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4 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature recognizes that land
5 use and transportation decisions can significantly affect the
6 emissions levels of greenhouse gases. Thoughtful and deliberate
7 planning actions that consider the relationship between land use and
8 transportation, while also being mindful of associated impacts upon
9 affordable housing needs, are both challenging and essential.
10 Furthermore, the legislature recognizes that, in addition to
11 responding to present day emissions issues, it must be equally
12 dedicated to enacting broad, prospective strategies. In doing so, the
13 legislature will better enable current Washingtonians and future
14 generations to enjoy the dividends resulting from fewer greenhouse gas
15 emissions, and healthy, economically vibrant communities.

16 (2) In recognition of the importance of reducing greenhouse gas
17 emissions through land use and transportation requirements, and the
18 resulting implementation actions of counties, cities, and others, the
19 legislature intends to establish new land use and transportation
20 provisions, while simultaneously granting certain jurisdictions two
21 additional years to meet existing planning requirements. In granting
22 jurisdictions with the earliest pending review and revision deadlines
23 under the growth management act two additional years to comply with
24 these obligations, the legislature intends to promote the successful
25 implementation of initial efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
26 through comprehensive planning actions.

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1 (3) The legislature endorses the policy recommendations of the
2 land use and climate change advisory committee established by chapter
3 289, Laws of 2008 for the purpose of reducing land use and
4 transportation related greenhouse gas emissions.

5 (4) The legislature finds that transit-oriented development should
6 be encouraged at major transit stations, and that this development
7 should provide for no net loss of affordable housing, an adequate
8 supply of housing affordable to low and moderate-income households,
9 and the promotion of mixed-use and mixed-income communities and
10 developments.

11 (5) The legislature finds that regional transportation plans for
12 urban counties should address the vehicle miles traveled reduction
13 goals for the state that are established in RCW 47.01.440. The
14 legislature finds also that county and city comprehensive plans should
15 support these regional transportation plans.

16 (6) The legislature finds that regional transit authorities and
17 public transportation benefit areas may donate air rights and surplus
18 property to encourage the development of transit-oriented communities,
19 increase transit ridership, and provide for affordable housing.

20 (7) The legislature finds that transit-oriented housing funds to
21 assist in financing qualifying housing projects should be authorized.

22 (8) The legislature finds that transit-oriented communities can
23 help achieve these intended purposes and for these reasons they are
24 beneficial to the residents of Washington state."

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26 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Removes all provisions of the underlying striking
amendment and inserts additional intent language.

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