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By Senators Sheldon, Kauffman, Kline, Roach, and McDermott

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1   AN ACT Relating to naming state ferries; and amending RCW
2   47.01.420.

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

4   **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.01.420 and 2007 c 33 s 1 are each amended to read
5   as follows:
6   (1) The commission may name or rename state transportation
7   facilities including, but not limited to: State highways; state
8   highway bridges, structures, and facilities; state ferries; state rest
9   areas; and state roadside facilities, such as viewpoints.   The
10   commission must consult with the department before taking final action
11   to name or rename a state transportation facility.
12   (2)(a) The department, state and local governmental entities,
13   citizen organizations, and any person may initiate the process to name
14   or rename a state transportation facility.
15   (b) For the commission to consider a naming or renaming proposal,
16   the requesting entity or person must provide sufficient evidence, as
17   determined by the commission, indicating community support and
18   acceptance of the proposal. Evidence may include the following:

1   (i) Letters of support from state and federal legislators, and
2   federally recognized tribal governments, representing the impacted area
3   encompassing the state transportation facility;
4   (ii) Resolutions passed by local, publicly elected bodies, and
5   federally recognized tribal governments, in the impacted area
6   encompassing the state transportation facility;
7   (iii) Department support; or
8   (iv) Supportive actions by or letters from local organizations
9   including, but not limited to, local chambers of commerce and service
10   clubs.
11   (3) After the commission takes final action in naming or renaming
12   a state transportation facility, the department shall design and
13   install the appropriate signs in accordance with state and federal
14   standards.

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