
SENATE BILL 6769

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By Senator Stevens

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1 AN ACT Relating to highway emergency projects; and adding a new
2 section to chapter 47.20 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 47.20 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) If a project qualifies as an emergency project under subsection
7 (2) of this section, the department shall, as soon as practicable, take
8 all necessary steps to complete environmental reviews, engineering, and
9 design to ensure prompt construction of the project.

10 (2) An emergency project is any project that meets all of the
11 following conditions:

12 (a) The project is planned for a highway of statewide significance;

13 (b) The project is on a route that has been declared a safety
14 corridor by the governor or the department;

15 (c) The project was first proposed by a state or local agency at
16 least forty years before the date of the declaration made under (b) of
17 this subsection;

18 (d) A feasibility study was completed on the project at least forty

1 years before the date of the declaration made under (b) of this
2 subsection;

3 (e) The department has acquired a substantial portion of the right-
4 of-way necessary for completion of the project;

5 (f) The purpose of the project is not served through the completion
6 of a different project; and

7 (g) The need for the project has not been substantially diminished.

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