
Transportation Committee

HB 2348

Brief Description: Concerning heavy haul industrial corridors.

Sponsors: Representatives Kretz, Lias, Short and Blake.

Brief Summary of Bill

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extends the heavy haul corridor on State Route 97 by 77.12 miles.• Designates a portion of State Route 155 as a heavy haul corridor. |
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Hearing Date: 1/21/14

Staff: Alyssa Ball (786-7140).

Background:

State law allows the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to enter into agreements with ports to designate short, heavy-haul industrial corridors on state highways within port district property. These corridors allow for the movement of overweight sealed containers used in international trade. The WSDOT may issue special permits to vehicles on these corridors so long as certain weight limit requirements are met.

Current law designates a 5.36 mile portion of State Route 97 from the Canadian border to milepost 331.12 as a heavy haul corridor.

Summary of Bill:

The heavy haul corridor on State Route 97 is extended by 77.12 miles to milepost 254.00. The WSDOT is required to designate a heavy haul corridor on State Route 155 from the intersection with State Route 97 to milepost 78.86.

Appropriation: None.

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not a part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 15, 2014.

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately.