# Washington State House of Representatives Office of Program Research

# BILL ANALYSIS

## **Transportation Committee**

## **SB 6607**

**Brief Description**: Removing state route number 276 from the state highway system.

**Sponsors**: Senators Baumgartner and Schoesler.

### **Brief Summary of Bill**

• Removes State Route 267 from the state highway system.

Hearing Date: 2/23/16

**Staff**: Alyssa Ball (786-7140).

### Background:

In 1973 State Route 276 (SR 276) was designated as a state highway in statute. The SR 276 was designed as a north bypass route around Pullman and was to connect SR 195 west of Pullman to SR 270 east of Pullman.

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) purchased the right of way for the route in the 1970s, but SR 276 was never constructed. Funding for construction of the bypass has not yet been identified. The WSDOT is responsible for managing the unconstructed SR 276 right of way.

The WSDOT may, through the surplus real property program, dispose of any real property, in full or in part, if the property is owned by the state, under the WSDOT's jurisdiction, no longer required for transportation purposes, and in the public interest to do so.

Under the surplus property program, the WSDOT may publish a call for bids, conduct a public auction, or sell the real property at fair market value to certain entities or persons including, but not limited to, other state agencies.

## **Summary of Bill**:

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The bill removes the designation in statute of SR 276 as a state highway.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is

passed.