

RESOLUTION NO. 751

WHEREAS, the Commission has the authority under state law ([RCW 47.01.071\(6\)](#)) to adopt such rules as may be necessary to carry out reasonably and properly those functions expressly vested in the Commission by statute; and

WHEREAS, state law ([RCW 47.01.425](#)) authorizes the Commission to review requests for jurisdictional transfers from cities, counties, or the state requesting additions or deletions from the state highway system, and

WHEREAS, the Commission was directed by the Legislature in the 2023/2025 Transportation Budget to conduct a statewide Route Jurisdiction Study with final findings and recommendations to be sent to the legislature by July 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, through the statewide Route Jurisdiction Study, will assess the current state highway inventory and local roadway designations to determine if changes are needed in jurisdictional assignment and will review current criteria used to define the state highway system; and

WHEREAS, the outcome of the completed statewide Route Jurisdiction Study will inform and likely impact how future transfer requests are assessed, the study should be completed before the Commission considers further jurisdictional transfers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Commission shall place a moratorium on jurisdiction transfer requests from this date forward, in order to allow for the route jurisdiction study to be completed and for the Legislature to deliberate on its findings.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the moratorium on route jurisdiction transfer requests will be in effect until December 31, 2026.

ADOPTED this 18th day of October 2023.

WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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