
SENATE BILL 6069

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By Senator Fortunato

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1 AN ACT Relating to structurally deficient bridges; and amending
2 RCW 43.21C.470.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.21C.470 and 2015 c 144 s 1 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The department (~~(of ecology)~~) of ecology must amend the
7 categorical exemption available to Washington department of
8 transportation projects under WAC 197-11-800(26) as of July 24, 2015,
9 so that the same categorical exemption applies to structurally
10 deficient city, town, or county bridge repair or replacement
11 projects.

12 (2) For purposes of this section, "structurally deficient" means
13 a bridge that is classified as in poor condition under the state
14 bridge condition rating system and (~~(is reported by the state to the~~
15 ~~national bridge inventory as having)~~) has a deck, superstructure, or
16 substructure rating of four or below. Structurally deficient bridges
17 are characterized by deteriorated conditions of significant bridge
18 elements and potentially reduced load-carrying capacity. Bridges
19 deemed structurally deficient typically require significant

1 maintenance and repair to remain in service, and require major
2 rehabilitation or replacement to address the underlying deficiency.

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