

CHAPTER 75.

[H. B. 202.]

LIMITED ACCESS FACILITIES—VACATION OF STREETS,
ROADS AND HIGHWAYS.

AN ACT relating to limited access highways; providing for vacating and closing of city streets, roads or highways; prohibiting claims against the state, city or county; amending section 3, chapter 202, Laws of 1947 and RCW 47.52.040; and adding a new section to chapter 47.52, RCW.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Amendment. SECTION 1. Section 3, chapter 202, Laws of 1947 and RCW 47.52.040 are each amended to read as follows:

Design and regulation of access to facilities.

The highway authorities of the state, counties and incorporated cities and towns may so design any limited access facility and so regulate, restrict, or prohibit access as to best serve the traffic for which such facility is intended; and the determination of design by such authority shall be conclusive and final. In this connection such highway authorities may divide and separate any limited access facility into separate roadways by the construction of raised curbs, central dividing sections, or other physical separations, or by designating such separate roadways by signs, markers, stripes, and the proper lane for such traffic by appropriate signs, markers, stripes and other devices. No person shall have any right of ingress or egress to, from, or across limited access facilities to or from abutting lands, except at designated points at which access may be permitted by the highway authorities upon such terms and conditions as may be specified from time to time: *Provided*, That any intersecting streets, roads or highways, not made a part of such facility, shall be deemed closed at the right of way line by the designation and construction of said facility and without the consent of any other party or the necessity of any

other legal proceeding for such closing, notwithstanding any laws to the contrary.

SEC. 2. There is added to chapter 47.52 RCW, a new section to read as follows:

No person, firm or corporation, private or municipal, shall have any claim against the state, city or county by reason of the closing of such streets, roads or highways as long as access still exists or is provided to such property abutting upon the closed streets, roads or highways. Circuity of travel shall not be a compensable item of damage.

SEC. 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall not be construed to affect provisions for establishment, notice, hearing and court review of any decision establishing a limited access facility on an existing highway pursuant to chapter 47.52 RCW.

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Passed the Senate February 26, 1955.

Approved by the Governor March 3, 1955.

CHAPTER 76.

[H. B. 86.]

MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS' LICENSES—DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle and motor vehicle operator records; and amending section 1, chapter 241, Laws of 1951 and RCW 46.08.120.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 241, Laws of 1951 and RCW 46.08.120 are each amended to read as follows:

The director, in his discretion, may destroy applications for vehicle licenses, copies of vehicle licenses issued, applications for vehicle operators' licenses, and copies of issued vehicle operators'