town has specified the conditions of its participation in an ordinance. A county, city, or town may be reimbursed only for the costs of improvements that benefit that portion of the public who will use the developments within the assessment reimbursement area established pursuant to RCW 35.72.040(1). No county, city, or town costs for improvements that benefit the general public may be reimbursed.

(2) The department of transportation may, for state highways, participate with the owners of real estate in the financing of improvement projects, in the same manner as provided for counties, cities, and towns, in subsection (1) of this section. The department shall enter into agreements whereby the appropriate county, city, or town shall act as an agent of the department in administering this chapter.

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CHAPTER 262

[Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 283]
FOREIGN COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSELS—GEAR STOWAGE
REQUIREMENTS

AN ACT Relating to foreign commercial fishing vessels; and adding a new section to chapter 75.12 RCW.

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 75.12 RCW to read as follows:

In order to protect the welfare of the citizens of the state of Washington by protecting the natural resources of the state from illegal fishing in state waters, commercial fishing vessels which are not authorized by law to fish for salmon in Washington state waters cannot enter Washington state waters unless all salmon fishing gear is stowed below deck or placed in a position so that it is not readily available for fishing.

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