SENATE BILL 6010

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By Senator Shewmake Prefiled 01/05/24.

- AN ACT Relating to streamlining certain decisions pertaining to the development or extension of a trail or path from the state environmental policy act; and adding a new section to chapter 43.21C RCW.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.21C 7 RCW to read as follows:
- 8 (1) Decisions pertaining to the development or extension of a 9 trail or path are exempted from compliance with this chapter if:
- 10 (a) The surface area of the proposed new trail or path or 11 extension to an existing trail or path does not exceed 10 acres; and
- 12 (b) The proposed new trail or path or extension to an existing 13 trail or path is not located in a designated critical area under RCW 14 36.70A.060 or 36.70A.170, or a critical area buffer zone.
- 15 (2) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- 17 (a) "Critical area" has the same meaning as "critical areas" as 18 defined in RCW 36.70A.030.
- 19 (b) "Extension to an existing trail or path" includes an addition 20 to an existing trail or path that connects two existing segments of 21 the trail or path.

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1 (c) "Trail" and "path" have the same meaning as defined in RCW 47.30.005.

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