

**RCW 47.32.130 Dangerous objects and structures as nuisances—**

**Logs—Abatement—Removal.** (1) Whenever there exists upon the right-of-way of any state highway or off the right-of-way thereof in sufficiently close proximity thereto, any structure, device, or natural or artificial thing that threatens or endangers the state highway or portion thereof, or that tends to endanger persons traveling thereon, or obstructs or tends to obstruct or constitutes a hazard to vehicles or persons traveling thereon, the structure, device, or natural or artificial thing is declared to be a public nuisance, and the department is empowered to take such action as may be necessary to effect its abatement. Any such structure, device, or natural or artificial thing considered by the department to be immediately or eminently dangerous to travel upon a state highway may be forthwith removed, and the removal in no event constitutes a breach of the peace or trespass.

(2) Logs dumped on any state highway roadway or in any state highway drainage ditch due to equipment failure or for any other reason shall be removed immediately. Logs remaining within the state highway right-of-way for a period of thirty days shall be confiscated and removed or disposed of as directed by the department. [1984 c 7 s 184; 1961 c 13 s 47.32.130. Prior: 1947 c 206 s 3; 1937 c 53 s 80; Rem. Supp. 1947 s 6400-80.]

*Obstructing highway, public nuisance: RCW 9.66.010.*

*Placing dangerous substances or devices on highway: RCW 9.66.050, 46.61.645, 70A.200.060.*