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SENATE BILL 6250

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By Senators Haugen and Kline; by request of Department of Licensing Read first time 01/14/08. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to the confidentiality of personal information
- 2 collected and maintained in connection with applications for drivers'
- 3 licenses and identicards; and amending RCW 42.56.230 and 42.56.330.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.56.230 and 2005 c 274 s 403 are each amended to read as follows:
- 7 The following personal information is exempt from public inspection 8 and copying under this chapter:
 - (1) Personal information in any files maintained for students in public schools, patients or clients of public institutions or public health agencies, or welfare recipients;
 - (2) Personal information in files maintained for employees, appointees, or elected officials of any public agency to the extent that disclosure would violate their right to privacy;
- 15 (3) Information required of any taxpayer in connection with the 16 assessment or collection of any tax if the disclosure of the 17 information to other persons would (a) be prohibited to such persons by 18 RCW 84.08.210, 82.32.330, 84.40.020, or 84.40.340 or (b) violate the

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1 taxpayer's right to privacy or result in unfair competitive
2 disadvantage to the taxpayer; ((and))

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- (4) Credit card numbers, debit card numbers, electronic check numbers, card expiration dates, or bank or other financial account numbers, except when disclosure is expressly required by or governed by other law; and
- 7 (5) Documents and related materials used to prove identity, age, 8 residential address, social security number, or other personal 9 information required to apply for a driver's license or identicard.
- 10 **Sec. 2.** RCW 42.56.330 and 2007 c 197 s 5 are each amended to read 11 as follows:

The following information relating to public utilities and transportation is exempt from disclosure under this chapter:

- (1) Records filed with the utilities and transportation commission or attorney general under RCW 80.04.095 that a court has determined are confidential under RCW 80.04.095;
- (2) The residential addresses and residential telephone numbers of the customers of a public utility contained in the records or lists held by the public utility of which they are customers, except that this information may be released to the division of child support or the agency or firm providing child support enforcement for another state under Title IV-D of the federal social security act, for the establishment, enforcement, or modification of a support order;
- (3) The names, residential addresses, residential telephone numbers, and other individually identifiable records held by an agency in relation to a vanpool, carpool, or other ride-sharing program or service; however, these records may be disclosed to other persons who apply for ride-matching services and who need that information in order to identify potential riders or drivers with whom to share rides;
- (4) The personally identifying information of current or former participants or applicants in a paratransit or other transit service operated for the benefit of persons with disabilities or elderly persons;
- 34 (5) The personally identifying information of persons who acquire 35 and use transit passes and other fare payment media including, but not 36 limited to, stored value smart cards and magnetic strip cards, except 37 that an agency may disclose this information to a person, employer,

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educational institution, or other entity that is responsible, in whole or in part, for payment of the cost of acquiring or using a transit pass or other fare payment media, or to the news media when reporting on public transportation or public safety. This information may also be disclosed at the agency's discretion to governmental agencies or groups concerned with public transportation or public safety;

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- (6) Any information obtained by governmental agencies that is collected by the use of a motor carrier intelligent transportation system or any comparable information equipment attached to a truck, tractor, or trailer; however, the information may be given to other governmental agencies or the owners of the truck, tractor, or trailer from which the information is obtained. As used in this subsection, "motor carrier" has the same definition as provided in RCW 81.80.010; ((and))
- (7) The personally identifying information of persons who acquire and use transponders or other technology to facilitate payment of tolls. This information may be disclosed in aggregate form as long as the data does not contain any personally identifying information. For these purposes aggregate data may include the census tract of the account holder as long as any individual personally identifying information is not released. Personally identifying information may be released to law enforcement agencies only for toll enforcement purposes. Personally identifying information may be released to law enforcement agencies for other purposes only if the request is accompanied by a court order; and
- (8) The personally identifying information of persons who acquire and use a driver's license or identicard that includes a radio frequency identification chip or similar technology to facilitate border crossing. This information may be disclosed in aggregate form so long as the data does not contain any personally identifying information. Personally identifying information may be released to law enforcement agencies only for United States customs and border protection enforcement purposes. Personally identifying information may be released to law enforcement agencies for other purposes only if the request is accompanied by a court order.

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