

HOUSE BILL REPORT

ESB 5061

As Reported by House Committee On: Transportation

Title: An act relating to reconciling changes made to vehicle and vessel registration and title provisions during the 2010 legislative sessions.

Brief Description: Reconciling changes made to vehicle and vessel registration and title provisions during the 2010 legislative sessions.

Sponsors: Senators Swecker, Haugen, King and Shin.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Transportation: 2/23/11, 2/24/11, 3/8/11 [DPA].

Brief Summary of Engrossed Bill (As Amended by House)

- Realigns and makes technical corrections to vehicle and vessel statutes to complete the vehicle and vessel statutes streamline project, which will be enacted on July 1, 2011.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass as amended. Signed by 26 members: Representatives Clibborn, Chair; Billig, Vice Chair; Lias, Vice Chair; Armstrong, Ranking Minority Member; Hargrove, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Angel, Asay, Eddy, Finn, Fitzgibbon, Jinkins, Johnson, Klippert, Ladenburg, McCune, Moeller, Moscoso, Overstreet, Reykdal, Rivers, Rolfes, Ryu, Shea, Takko, Upthegrove and Zeiger.

Staff: Jerry Long (786-7306).

Background:

The 2007-2009 Biennial Transportation Budget directed the Department of Licensing (DOL) to submit to the Legislature draft legislation that streamlines vehicle and vessel title and

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registration statutes to specifically address apparent conflicts, fee distribution, and other relevant issues that are revenue neutral, and which do not change legislative policy.

Senate Bill 6379 (SB 6379) was submitted by the DOL in 2009, reviewed by legislative staff and various stakeholders, and enacted during the 2010 regular legislative session. The enacted 2010 legislation had a delayed effective date of July 1, 2011, in order for the Legislature to consider a reconciliation bill during the 2011 session correcting any technical drafting problems identified over the 2010 legislative interim.

The Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) was directed in the 2010 Supplemental Transportation Budget to work with the DOL, the Office of the Code Reviser, legislative staff, and stakeholders to evaluate the implementation of SB 6379 and provide corrective legislation if needed. Senate Bill 5061 is the recommended draft legislation accompanying the JTC evaluation.

Summary of Amended Bill:

Various technical corrections to certain vehicle and vessel registration statutes are made as a result of: (1) oversight or error in drafting SB 6379 from the 2010 legislative session; (2) bills passed during the 2010 legislative session that affected these sections; or (3) internal reference corrections mostly due to the recodification from SB 6379.

Amended Bill Compared to Engrossed Bill:

The amendment makes a technical correction that adds the existing authorization and requirement for the \$1.50 fee for a license plate for mopeds; removes duplicate language already in statute under RCW 46.68.410 for the vehicle identification number inspection fee; and adds that the special license plate accounts are in the custody of the State Treasurer.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date of Amended Bill: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect on July 1, 2011, except for section 126, relating to vessel registration, which takes effect June 30, 2012.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) None.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: None.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.