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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "**Sec. 1.** RCW 46.16.212 and 1989 c 353 s 10 are each amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The department of licensing shall notify the public of the  
10 requirements of RCW 46.30.020 through 46.30.040 at the time of new  
11 vehicle registration and when the department sends a registration  
12 renewal notice.

13 (2) The department of licensing shall not renew a vehicle license  
14 unless the applicant provides written proof of meeting the financial  
15 responsibility requirements for operating a motor vehicle as provided  
16 in RCW 46.30.020.

17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.16.210 and 1997 c 241 s 8 are each amended to read  
18 as follows:

19 (1) Upon receipt of the application and proper fee for original  
20 vehicle license, the director shall make a recheck of the application  
21 and in the event that there is any error in the application it may be  
22 returned to the county auditor or other agent to effectively secure the  
23 correction of such error, who shall return the same corrected to the  
24 director.

25 (2) Application for the renewal of a vehicle license shall be made  
26 to the director or his agents, including county auditors, by the  
27 registered owner on a form prescribed by the director. The application  
28 must be accompanied by the certificate of registration for the last  
29 registration period in which the vehicle was registered in Washington  
30 unless the applicant submits a preprinted application mailed from  
31 Olympia, and the payment of such license fees and excise tax as may be  
32 required by law. Such application shall be handled in the same manner  
33 and the fees transmitted to the state treasurer in the same manner as  
34 in the case of an original application. Any such application which

1 upon validation becomes a renewal certificate need not have entered  
2 upon it the name of the lien holder, if any, of the vehicle concerned.

3 (3) Persons expecting to be out of the state during the normal  
4 renewal period of a vehicle license may secure renewal of such vehicle  
5 license and have license plates or tabs preissued by making application  
6 to the director or his agents upon forms prescribed by the director.  
7 The application must be accompanied by the certificate of registration  
8 for the last registration period in which the vehicle was registered in  
9 Washington and be accompanied by such license fees, and excise tax as  
10 may be required by law.

11 (4) Every applicant for the renewal of a vehicle license shall  
12 provide current proof of financial responsibility to operate a vehicle  
13 as required in RCW 46.30.020. The department may adopt rules regarding  
14 valid proof of financial responsibility for persons applying for the  
15 renewal of a vehicle license.

16 (5) Application for the annual renewal of a vehicle license number  
17 plate to the director or the director's agents shall not be required  
18 for those vehicles owned, rented, or leased by the state of Washington,  
19 or by any county, city, town, school district, or other political  
20 subdivision of the state of Washington or a governing body of an Indian  
21 tribe located within this state and recognized as a governmental entity  
22 by the United States department of the interior.

23 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.30.040 and 1991 dsp.s. c 25 s 2 are each amended to  
24 read as follows:

25 Any person who knowingly provides false evidence of financial  
26 responsibility to a law enforcement officer (~~(or)~~), to a court, or to  
27 the department of licensing on an application for the renewal of a  
28 vehicle license, including an expired or canceled insurance policy,  
29 bond, or certificate of deposit is guilty of a misdemeanor.

30 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The department of licensing shall report to  
31 the legislature no later than December 1, 1999, on the implementation  
32 of this act. The report must include an assessment, with supporting  
33 data, of the success in ensuring that licensed drivers have motor  
34 vehicle liability insurance or meet the financial responsibility  
35 requirements of this state."

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4 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "insurance;" strike the  
5 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 46.16.212, 46.16.210,  
6 and 46.30.040; and creating a new section."

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