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By Representatives Koster, Cairnes, Ogden, Robertson, Mielke, McMorris, Costa, Backlund, Sherstad, Thompson and Dunn

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1 AN ACT Relating to street rods; and amending RCW 46.04.571 and
2 46.37.500.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.04.571 and 1996 c 225 s 4 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 "Street rod vehicle" is a motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle,
7 that meets the following conditions:

8 (1)(a) The vehicle was manufactured before 1949, ~~((or))~~ (b) the
9 vehicle has been assembled or reconstructed using major component parts
10 of a motor vehicle manufactured before 1949, or (c) the vehicle was
11 assembled or manufactured after 1949, to resemble a vehicle
12 manufactured before 1949; and

13 (2)(a) The vehicle has been modified in its body style or design
14 through the use of nonoriginal or reproduction components, such as
15 frame, engine, drive train, suspension, or brakes in a manner that does
16 not adversely affect its safe performance as a motor vehicle or render
17 it unlawful for highway use, or (b) the body has been constructed from
18 nonoriginal materials or has been altered dimensionally or in shape and
19 appearance from the original manufactured body.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.37.500 and 1988 c 15 s 2 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 (1) Except as authorized under subsection (2) of this section, no
4 person may operate any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer that is
5 not equipped with fenders, covers, flaps, or splash aprons adequate for
6 minimizing the spray or splash of water or mud from the roadway to the
7 rear of the vehicle. All such devices shall be as wide as the tires
8 behind which they are mounted and extend downward at least to the
9 center of the axle.

10 (2) A motor vehicle that is not less than forty years old ((and))
11 or a street rod vehicle that is owned and operated primarily as a
12 collector's item need not be equipped with fenders when the vehicle is
13 used and driven during fair weather on well-maintained, hard-surfaced
14 roads.

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