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Brief Title: Providing for impoundment and forfeiture of vehicles operated by persons driving a vehicle or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

SB 6431-S.E - DIGEST

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 2/16/98)

Authorizes impoundment and forfeiture of vehicles operated by persons driving a vehicle or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor unless an applicable state agency rule or local ordinance prohibits forfeiture on the basis of economic or personal hardship to the spouse of the operator, taking into consideration public safety factors, including the operator's criminal history and driving record.

Provides that, if this act mandates an increased level of service by local governments, the local government may, under RCW 43.135.060 and chapter 4.92 RCW, submit claims for reimbursement by the legislature. The claims shall be subject to verification by the office of financial management.