HOUSE BILL 2576

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By Representatives Hunt, Conway and Kenney; by request of Department of Licensing

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1 AN ACT Relating to master license system fees; amending RCW 2 19.02.030 and 19.02.075; and providing an effective date.

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

4 Sec. 1. RCW 19.02.030 and 1999 c 240 s 5 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 (1) There is created within the department of licensing a business 7 license center.

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(2) The duties of the center shall include:

9 (a) Developing and administering a computerized one-stop master 10 license system capable of storing, retrieving, and exchanging license information with due regard to privacy statutes, as well as issuing and 11 renewing master licenses in an efficient manner; 12

13 (b) Providing a license information service detailing requirements 14 to establish or engage in business in this state;

15 (c) Providing for staggered master license renewal;

16 (d) Identifying types of licenses appropriate for inclusion in the 17 master license system;

(e) Recommending in reports to the governor and the legislature the
elimination, consolidation, or other modification of duplicative,
ineffective, or inefficient licensing or inspection requirements; and
(f) Incorporating licenses into the master license system.

5 (3) The director of licensing may adopt under chapter 34.05 RCW 6 such rules as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this 7 chapter, including the setting of fees in accordance with the fee 8 policy established in RCW 43.24.086.

9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 19.02.075 and 1995 c 403 s 1007 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

(1) The department shall collect a <u>handling</u> fee ((of fifteen dollars on)) from each applicant for each master application <u>filed with</u> <u>the department</u>. The ((entire)) master application <u>handling</u> fee shall be deposited in the master license fund.

15 (2) The department shall collect a <u>handling</u> fee ((of nine dollars on)) from each licensee for each <u>master license</u> renewal application filed with the department. The master license renewal application handling fee((s)) shall be deposited in the master license fund.

(3) The fees authorized by this section are application handling
fees and as such are not refundable to the applicant or licensee after
the respective application has been processed.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act takes effect September 1, 2002. The director of the department of licensing may take such action prior to the effective date of this act necessary to ensure rules required by section 1 of this act are effective on September 1, 2002.

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