
SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5078

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By Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senator Haugen)

READ FIRST TIME 02/12/2002.

1 AN ACT Relating to vehicle license fees; amending RCW 46.68.030 and
2 46.16.0621; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.68.030 and 1990 c 42 s 109 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Except for proceeds from fees for vehicle licensing for vehicles
7 paying such fees under RCW 46.16.070 and 46.16.085, and as otherwise
8 provided for in chapter 46.16 RCW, all fees received by the director
9 for vehicle licenses under the provisions of chapter 46.16 RCW shall be
10 forwarded to the state treasurer, accompanied by a proper identifying
11 detailed report, and be deposited to the credit of the motor vehicle
12 fund, except that the proceeds from the vehicle license fee and renewal
13 license fee shall be deposited by the state treasurer as hereinafter
14 provided. After July 1, (~~(1981, that portion)~~) 2002, \$20.35 of each
15 vehicle license fee (~~(in excess of \$7.40 and that portion)~~) and \$20.35
16 of each renewal license fee (~~(in excess of \$3.40)~~) shall be deposited
17 in the state patrol highway account in the motor vehicle fund(~~(, hereby~~
18 ~~created)~~). Vehicle license fees, renewal license fees, and all other
19 funds in the state patrol highway account shall be for the sole use of

1 the Washington state patrol for highway activities of the Washington
2 state patrol, subject to proper appropriations and reappropriations
3 therefor, for any fiscal biennium after June 30, 1981, and twenty-seven
4 and three-tenths percent of the proceeds from \$7.40 of each vehicle
5 license fee and twenty-seven and three-tenths percent of the proceeds
6 from \$3.40 of each renewal license fee shall be deposited each biennium
7 in the Puget Sound ferry operations account. Any remaining amounts of
8 vehicle license fees and renewal license fees that are not deposited in
9 the Puget Sound ferry operations account shall be deposited in the
10 motor vehicle fund.

11 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.16.0621 and 2000 1st sp.s. c 1 s 1 are each amended
12 to read as follows:

13 (1) License tab fees shall be thirty dollars per year for motor
14 vehicles, regardless of year, value, make, or model, beginning January
15 1, 2000.

16 (2) For the purposes of this section, "license tab fees" are
17 defined as the general fees paid annually for licensing motor vehicles,
18 including cars, sport utility vehicles, motorcycles, ~~((and))~~ motor
19 homes, and nonmotorized vehicles including trailers as defined in RCW
20 46.04.620 and 46.04.623. Trailers licensed under RCW 46.16.065,
21 46.16.068, or 46.16.085 are not required to pay license tab fees under
22 this section.

23 (3) The provisions of this section regarding nonmotorized vehicles
24 become effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due
25 September 1, 2002, or thereafter.

26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Any fee increases provided in this act do
27 not constitute new transportation revenue for the purposes of chapter
28 5, Laws of 2002.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act takes effect July 1, 2002.

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