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## SENATE BILL 6814

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- AN ACT Relating to transportation fees; amending RCW 46.09.070,
- 2 46.10.040, 46.12.040, 46.12.080, 46.12.181, 46.16.0621, 46.16.160,
- 3 46.16.630, 46.20.055, 46.20.117, 46.20.200, 46.20.293, 46.29.050,
- 4 46.52.130, and 46.68.020; reenacting and amending RCW 46.12.170; and
- 5 creating a new section.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.09.070 and 1997 c 241 s 1 are each amended to read 8 as follows:
- 9 (1) Application for annual or temporary ORV use permits shall be 10 made to the department or its authorized agent in such manner and upon 11 such forms as the department shall prescribe and shall state the name 12 and address of each owner of the off-road vehicle.
- 13 (2) An application for an annual permit shall be signed by at least 14 one owner, and shall be accompanied by a fee of five dollars. Upon
- 15 receipt of the annual permit application and the application fee, the
- 16 off-road vehicle shall be assigned a use permit number tag or decal,
- 17 which shall be affixed to the off-road vehicle in a manner prescribed
- 18 by the department. The annual permit is valid for a period of one year
- 19 and is renewable each year in such manner as the department may

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1 prescribe for an additional period of one year upon payment of a 2 renewal fee of five dollars.

Any person acquiring an off-road vehicle for which an annual permit has been issued who desires to continue to use the permit must, within fifteen days of the acquisition of the off-road vehicle, make application to the department or its authorized agent for transfer of the permit, and the application shall be accompanied by a transfer fee of ((one dollar and twenty-five cents)) five dollars.

- 9 (3) A temporary use permit is valid for sixty days. Application 10 for a temporary permit shall be accompanied by a fee of two dollars. 11 The permit shall be carried on the vehicle at all times during its 12 operation in the state.
- (4) Except as provided in RCW 46.09.050, any out-of-state operator of an off-road vehicle shall, when operating in this state, comply with this chapter, and if an ORV use permit is required under this chapter, the operator shall obtain an annual or temporary permit and tag.
- 17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.10.040 and 2001 2nd sp.s. c 7 s 918 are each 18 amended to read as follows:

19 Application for registration shall be made to the department in the manner and upon forms the department prescribes, and shall state the 20 name and address of each owner of the snowmobile to be registered, and 21 shall be signed by at least one such owner, and shall be accompanied by 22 23 an annual registration fee to be established by the commission, after 24 consultation with the committee and any statewide snowmobile user The commission shall increase the current fee of twenty 25 dollars by five dollars effective September 30, 2001, and the 26 commission shall increase the fee by another five dollars effective 27 September 30, 2002. After the fee increase effective September 30, 28 29 2002, the commission shall not increase the fee. Upon receipt of the application and the application fee, the snowmobile shall be registered 30 and a registration number assigned, which shall be affixed to the 31 snowmobile in a manner provided in RCW 46.10.070. 32

33 The registration provided in this section shall be valid for a 34 period of one year. At the end of the period of registration, every 35 owner of a snowmobile in this state shall renew his or her registration 36 in the manner the department prescribes, for an additional period of 37 one year, upon payment of the annual registration fee as determined by 38 the commission.

Any person acquiring a snowmobile already validly registered under the provisions of this chapter must, within ten days of the acquisition or purchase of the snowmobile, make application to the department for transfer of the registration, and the application shall be accompanied by a transfer fee of ((one dollar and twenty-five cents)) five dollars.

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A snowmobile owned by a resident of another state or Canadian province where registration is not required by law may be issued a nonresident registration permit valid for not more than sixty days. Application for the permit shall state the name and address of each owner of the snowmobile to be registered and shall be signed by at least one owner and shall be accompanied by a registration fee of five dollars. The registration permit shall be carried on the vehicle at all times during its operation in this state.

The registration fees provided in this section shall be in lieu of any personal property or excise tax heretofore imposed on snowmobiles by this state or any political subdivision thereof, and no city, county, or other municipality, and no state agency shall hereafter impose any other registration or license fee on any snowmobile in this state.

The department shall make available a pair of uniform decals consistent with the provisions of RCW 46.10.070. In addition to the registration fee provided in this section the department shall charge each applicant for registration the actual cost of the decal. The department shall make available replacement decals for a fee equivalent to the actual cost of the decals.

26 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.12.040 and 2001 c 125 s 2 are each amended to read 27 as follows:

The application accompanied by a draft, money order, certified bank check, or cash for ((one dollar and twenty-five cents)) five dollars, together with the last preceding certificates or other satisfactory evidence of ownership, shall be forwarded to the director.

The fee shall be in addition to any other fee for the license registration of the vehicle. The certificate of ownership shall not be required to be renewed annually, or at any other time, except as by law provided.

In addition to the application fee and any other fee for the license registration of a vehicle, the department shall collect from the applicant a fee of fifteen dollars for vehicles previously

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- 1 registered in any other state or country. The proceeds from the fee
- 2 shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund. For vehicles requiring
- 3 a physical examination, the inspection fee shall be fifty dollars and
- 4 shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund.

5 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.12.080 and 1997 c 241 s 4 are each amended to read 6 as follows:

7 Any person holding the certificate of ownership for a motorcycle or any vehicle registered by its motor number in which there has been 8 9 installed a new or different motor than that with which it was issued certificates of ownership and license registration shall forthwith and 10 within five days after such installation forward and surrender such 11 12 certificates to the department, together with an application for issue of corrected certificates of ownership and license registration and a 13 14 fee of ((one dollar and twenty-five cents)) five dollars, and a 15 statement of the disposition of the former motor. The possession by any person of any such certificates for such vehicle in which a new or 16 different motor has been installed, after five days following such 17 18 installation, shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of the 19 provisions of this chapter and shall constitute a misdemeanor.

20 **Sec. 5.** RCW 46.12.170 and 1997 c 432 s 5 and 1997 c 241 s 5 are 21 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

If, after a certificate of ownership is issued, a security interest is granted on the vehicle described therein, the registered owner or secured party shall, within ten days thereafter, present an application to the department, to which shall be attached the certificate of ownership last issued covering the vehicle, or such other documentation as may be required by the department, which application shall be upon a form approved by the department and shall be accompanied by a fee of ((one dollar and twenty-five cents)) five dollars in addition to all The department, if satisfied that there should be a other fees. reissue of the certificate, shall note such change upon the vehicle records and issue to the secured party a new certificate of ownership. Whenever there is no outstanding secured obligation and no commitment to make advances and incur obligations or otherwise give value, the secured party must assign the certificate of ownership to the debtor or the debtor's assignee or transferee, and transmit the

certificate to the department with an accompanying fee of ((one dollar

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- 1 and twenty-five cents)) five dollars in addition to all other fees.
- 2 The department shall then issue a new certificate of ownership and
- 3 transmit it to the owner. If the affected secured party fails to
- 4 either assign the certificate of ownership to the debtor or the
- 5 debtor's assignee or transferee or transmit the certificate of
- 6 ownership to the department within ten days after proper demand, that
- 7 secured party shall be liable to the debtor or the debtor's assignee or
- 8 transferee for one hundred dollars, and in addition for any loss caused
- 9 to the debtor or the debtor's assignee or transferee by such failure.
- 10 **Sec. 6.** RCW 46.12.181 and 1997 c 241 s 7 are each amended to read 11 as follows:
- 12 If a certificate of ownership is lost, stolen, mutilated, or
- 13 destroyed or becomes illegible, the first priority secured party or, if
- 14 none, the owner or legal representative of the owner named in the
- 15 certificate, as shown by the records of the department, shall promptly
- 16 make application for and may obtain a duplicate upon tender of ((one
- 17 dollar and twenty-five cents)) five dollars in addition to all other
- 18 fees and upon furnishing information satisfactory to the department.
- 19 The duplicate certificate of ownership shall contain the legend,
- 20 "duplicate." It shall be provided to the first priority secured party
- 21 named in it or, if none, to the owner.
- 22 A person recovering an original certificate of ownership for which
- 23 a duplicate has been issued shall promptly surrender the original
- 24 certificate to the department.
- 25 **Sec. 7.** RCW 46.16.0621 and 2000 1st sp.s. c 1 s 1 are each amended
- 26 to read as follows:
- 27 (1) License tab fees shall be thirty dollars per year for ((motor))
- 28 vehicles((<del>, regardless of year, value, make, or model, beginning</del>
- 29 <del>January 1, 2000</del>)).
- 30 (2) For the purposes of this section, "license tab fees" are
- 31 defined as the general fees paid annually for licensing motor vehicles,
- 32 ((including cars, sport utility vehicles, motorcycles, and motor
- 33 homes)) and nonmotorized vehicles, including trailers as defined in RCW
- 34 46.04.620 and 46.04.623. Trailers licensed under chapter 46.09 RCW or
- 35 RCW 46.16.065, 46.16.068, 46.16.070, 46.16.085, or 46.16.505 are not
- 36 required to pay license tab fees under this section.

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- 1 **Sec. 8.** RCW 46.16.160 and 1999 c 270 s 1 are each amended to read 2 as follows:
- 3 (1) The owner of a vehicle which under reciprocal relations with 4 another jurisdiction would be required to obtain a license registration 5 in this state or an unlicensed vehicle which would be required to obtain a license registration for operation on public highways of this 6 7 state may, as an alternative to such license registration, secure and 8 operate such vehicle under authority of a trip permit issued by this 9 state in lieu of a Washington certificate of license registration, and 10 licensed gross weight if applicable. The licensed gross weight may not exceed eighty thousand pounds for a combination of vehicles nor forty 11 12 thousand pounds for a single unit vehicle with three or more axles. 13 Trip permits may also be issued for movement of mobile homes pursuant to RCW 46.44.170. For the purpose of this section, a vehicle is 14 15 considered unlicensed if the licensed gross weight currently in effect 16 for the vehicle or combination of vehicles is not adequate for the load 17 being carried. Vehicles registered under RCW 46.16.135 shall not be operated under authority of trip permits in lieu of further 18 19 registration within the same registration year.
- 20 (2) Each trip permit shall authorize the operation of a single vehicle at the maximum legal weight limit for such vehicle for a period 21 of three consecutive days commencing with the day of first use. 22 more than three such permits may be used for any one vehicle in any 23 24 period of thirty consecutive days, except that in the case of a 25 recreational vehicle as defined in RCW 43.22.335, no more than two trip 26 permits may be used for any one vehicle in a one-year period. permit shall identify, as the department may require, the vehicle for 27 which it is issued and shall be completed in its entirety and signed by 28 the operator before operation of the vehicle on the public highways of 29 30 this state. Correction of data on the permit such as dates, license number, or vehicle identification number invalidates the permit. 31 trip permit shall be displayed on the vehicle to which it is issued as 32 33 prescribed by the department.
- 34 (3) Vehicles operating under authority of trip permits are subject 35 to all laws, rules, and regulations affecting the operation of like 36 vehicles in this state.
- 37 (4) Prorate operators operating commercial vehicles on trip permits 38 in Washington shall retain the customer copy of such permit for four 39 years.

- (5) Trip permits may be obtained from field offices of the 1 department of transportation, Washington state patrol, department of 2 3 licensing, or other agents appointed by the department. 4 each trip permit shall be fifteen dollars. For each permit issued, ((there shall be collected)) the fee shall include a filing fee as 5 provided by RCW 46.01.140((, an administrative fee of eight dollars,)) 6 7 and an excise tax of one dollar. ((If the filing fee amount of one 8 dollar prescribed by RCW 46.01.140 is increased or decreased after 9 January 1, 1981, the administrative fee shall be adjusted to compensate 10 for such change to insure that the total amount collected for the filing fee, administrative fee, and excise tax remain at ten dollars.)) 11 The remaining portion of the trip permit fee shall be deposited to the 12 credit of the motor vehicle fund as an administrative fee. If the 13 14 filing fee amount of three dollars as prescribed in RCW 46.01.140 is increased or decreased after July 1, 2002, the administrative fee shall 15 be increased or decreased by the same amount so that the total trip 16 permit fee would be adjusted equally to compensate. 17 These fees and taxes are in lieu of all other vehicle license fees and taxes. 18 19 exchange, credits, or refunds may be given for trip permits after they 20 have been purchased.
- 21 (6) The department may appoint county auditors or businesses as 22 agents for the purpose of selling trip permits to the public. County 23 auditors or businesses so appointed may retain the filing fee collected 24 for each trip permit to defray expenses incurred in handling and 25 selling the permits.
- 26 (7) A violation of or a failure to comply with any provision of 27 this section is a gross misdemeanor.
- 28 (8) The department of licensing may adopt rules as it deems 29 necessary to administer this section.

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(9) A surcharge of five dollars is imposed on the issuance of trip permits. The portion of the surcharge paid by motor carriers must be deposited in the motor vehicle fund for the purpose of supporting vehicle weigh stations, weigh-in-motion programs, and the commercial vehicle information systems and networks program. The remaining portion of the surcharge must be deposited in the motor vehicle fund for the purpose of supporting congestion relief programs. All other administrative fees and excise taxes collected under the provisions of this chapter shall be forwarded by the department with proper identifying detailed report to the state treasurer who shall deposit

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- 1 the administrative fees to the credit of the motor vehicle fund and the
- 2 excise taxes to the credit of the general fund. Filing fees will be
- 3 forwarded and reported to the state treasurer by the department as
- 4 prescribed in RCW 46.01.140.
- 5 **Sec. 9.** RCW 46.16.630 and 1997 c 241 s 11 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 Application for registration of a moped shall be made to the
- 8 department of licensing in such manner and upon such forms as the
- 9 department shall prescribe, and shall state the name and address of
- 10 each owner of the moped to be registered, the vehicle identification
- 11 number, and such other information as the department may require, and
- 12 shall be accompanied by a registration fee of three dollars. Upon
- 13 receipt of the application and the application fee, the moped shall be
- 14 registered and a registration number assigned, which shall be affixed
- 15 to the moped in the manner as provided by rules adopted by the
- 16 department. The registration provided in this section shall be valid
- 17 for a period of twelve months.
- 18 Every owner of a moped in this state shall renew the registration,
- 19 in such manner as the department shall prescribe, for an additional
- 20 period of twelve months, upon payment of a renewal fee of three
- 21 dollars.
- 22 Any person acquiring a moped already validly registered must,
- 23 within fifteen days of the acquisition or purchase of the moped, make
- 24 application to the department for transfer of the registration, and the
- 25 application shall be accompanied by a transfer fee of ((one dollar and
- 26 twenty-five cents)) five dollars.
- 27 The registration fees provided in this section shall be in lieu of
- 28 any personal property tax or the vehicle excise tax imposed by chapter
- 29 82.44 RCW.
- The department shall, at the time the registration number is
- 31 assigned, make available a decal or other identifying device to be
- 32 displayed on the moped. A fee of one dollar and fifty cents shall be
- 33 charged for the decal or other identifying device.
- 34 The provisions of RCW 46.01.130 and 46.01.140 shall apply to
- 35 applications for the issuance of registration numbers or renewals or
- 36 transfers thereof for mopeds as they do to the issuance of vehicle
- 37 licenses, the appointment of agents, and the collection of application
- 38 fees. Except for the fee collected pursuant to RCW 46.01.140, all fees

- 1 collected under this section shall be deposited in the motor vehicle 2 fund.
- 3 **Sec. 10.** RCW 46.20.055 and 1999 c 274 s 13 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- 5 (1) **Driver's instruction permit**. The department may issue a driver's instruction permit with <u>or without</u> a photograph to an applicant who has successfully passed all parts of the examination other than the driving test, provided the information required by RCW 46.20.091, paid a ((five-dollar)) <u>fifteen-dollar</u> fee, and meets the following requirements:
- 11 (a) Is at least fifteen and one-half years of age; or
- 12 (b) Is at least fifteen years of age and:
- 13 (i) Has submitted a proper application; and
- (ii) Is enrolled in a traffic safety education program approved and accredited by the superintendent of public instruction that includes practice driving.
- (2) ((Nonphoto permit fee. An applicant who meets the requirements of subsection (1) of this section other than payment of the five-dollar fee may obtain a driver's instruction permit without a photograph by paying a fee of four dollars.
- 21 (3)) Waiver of written examination for instruction permit. The 22 department may waive the written examination, if, at the time of 23 application, an applicant is enrolled in:
- 24 (a) A traffic safety education course as defined by RCW 25 28A.220.020(2); or
- 26 (b) A course of instruction offered by a licensed driver training 27 school as defined by RCW 46.82.280(1).
- The department may require proof of registration in such a course as it deems necessary.
- $((\frac{4}{}))$  (3) **Effect of instruction permit**. A person holding a driver's instruction permit may drive a motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, upon the public highways if:
  - (a) The person has immediate possession of the permit; and

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- 34 (b) An approved instructor, or a licensed driver with at least five 35 years of driving experience, occupies the seat beside the driver.
- 36 (((5))) (4) **Term of instruction permit**. A driver's instruction 37 permit is valid for one year from the date of issue.
- 38 (a) The department may issue one additional one-year permit.

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- 1 (b) The department may issue a third driver's permit if it finds
- 2 after an investigation that the permittee is diligently seeking to
- 3 improve driving proficiency.
- 4 **Sec. 11.** RCW 46.20.117 and 1999 c 274 s 15 are each amended to 5 read as follows:
- 6 (1) **Issuance**. The department shall issue an identicard, containing 7 a picture, if the applicant:
- 8 (a) Does not hold a valid Washington driver's license;
- 9 (b) Proves his or her identity as required by RCW 46.20.035; and
- 10 (c) Pays the required fee. The fee is ((four)) fifteen dollars
  11 unless an applicant is a recipient of continuing public assistance
  12 grants under Title 74 RCW, who is referred in writing by the secretary
  13 of social and health services. For those persons the fee must be the
- 14 actual cost of production of the identicard.
- 15 (2) **Design and term**. The identicard must:
- 16 (a) Be distinctly designed so that it will not be confused with the 17 official driver's license; and
- 18 (b) Expire on the fifth anniversary of the applicant's birthdate 19 after issuance.
- 20 (3) Cancellation. The department may cancel an identicard if the 21 holder of the identicard used the card or allowed others to use the 22 card in violation of RCW 46.20.0921.
- 23 **Sec. 12.** RCW 46.20.200 and 1985 ex.s. c 1 s 5 are each amended to 24 read as follows:
- (1) If an instruction permit, identicard, or a driver's license is lost or destroyed, the person to whom it was issued may obtain a duplicate of it upon furnishing proof of such fact satisfactory to the department and payment of a fee of ((five)) fifteen dollars to the department.
- 30 (2) A replacement permit, identicard, or driver's license may be 31 obtained to change or correct material information upon payment of a 32 fee of two dollars and surrender of the permit, identicard, or driver's 33 license being replaced.
- 34 **Sec. 13.** RCW 46.20.293 and 1999 c 86 s 3 are each amended to read 35 as follows:

The department is authorized to provide juvenile courts with the department's record of traffic charges compiled under RCW 46.52.101 and 13.50.200, against any minor upon the request of any state juvenile court or duly authorized officer of any juvenile court of this state. Further, the department is authorized to provide any juvenile court with any requested service which the department can reasonably perform which is not inconsistent with its legal authority which substantially aids juvenile courts in handling traffic cases and which promotes highway safety.

The department is authorized to furnish to the parent, parents, or guardian of any person under eighteen years of age who is not emancipated from such parent, parents, or guardian, the department records of traffic charges compiled against the person and shall collect for the copy a fee of ((four)) five dollars ((and fifty cents)) to be deposited in the highway safety fund.

## **Sec. 14.** RCW 46.29.050 and 1987 1st ex.s. c 9 s 1 are each amended 17 to read as follows:

- (1) The department shall upon request furnish any person or his attorney a certified abstract of his driving record, which abstract shall include enumeration of any motor vehicle accidents in which such person has been involved. Such abstract shall (a) indicate the total number of vehicles involved, whether the vehicles were legally parked or moving, and whether the vehicles were occupied at the time of the accident; and (b) contain reference to any convictions of the person for violation of the motor vehicle laws as reported to the department, reference to any findings that the person has committed a traffic infraction which have been reported to the department, and a record of any vehicles registered in the name of the person. The department shall collect for each abstract the sum of ((four)) five dollars ((and fifty cents)) which shall be deposited in the highway safety fund.
- (2) The department shall upon request furnish any person who may have been injured in person or property by any motor vehicle, with an abstract of all information of record in the department pertaining to the evidence of the ability of any driver or owner of any motor vehicle to respond in damages. The department shall collect for each abstract the sum of ((four)) five dollars ((and fifty cents)) which shall be deposited in the highway safety fund.

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1 **Sec. 15.** RCW 46.52.130 and 2001 c 309 s 1 are each amended to read 2 as follows:

3 A certified abstract of the driving record shall be furnished only 4 to the individual named in the abstract, an employer or prospective employer or an agent acting on behalf of an employer or prospective 5 employer, the insurance carrier that has insurance in effect covering 6 7 the employer or a prospective employer, the insurance carrier that has 8 insurance in effect covering the named individual, the insurance 9 carrier to which the named individual has applied, an alcohol/drug 10 assessment or treatment agency approved by the department of social and health services, to which the named individual has applied or been 11 assigned for evaluation or treatment, or city and county prosecuting 12 13 attorneys. City attorneys and county prosecuting attorneys may provide the driving record to alcohol/drug assessment or treatment agencies 14 15 approved by the department of social and health services to which the 16 named individual has applied or been assigned for evaluation or 17 The director, upon proper request, shall furnish a certified abstract covering the period of not more than the last three 18 19 years to insurance companies. Upon proper request, the director shall 20 furnish a certified abstract covering a period of not more than the last five years to state approved alcohol/drug assessment or treatment 21 agencies, except that the certified abstract shall also include records 22 of alcohol-related offenses as defined in RCW 46.01.260(2) covering a 23 24 period of not more than the last ten years. Upon proper request, a 25 certified abstract of the full driving record maintained by the 26 department shall be furnished to a city or county prosecuting attorney, to the individual named in the abstract or to an employer or 27 prospective employer or an agent acting on behalf of an employer or 28 29 prospective employer of the named individual. The abstract, whenever 30 possible, shall include an enumeration of motor vehicle accidents in which the person was driving; the total number of vehicles involved; 31 whether the vehicles were legally parked or moving; whether the 32 vehicles were occupied at the time of the accident; whether the 33 34 accident resulted in any fatality; any reported convictions, forfeitures of bail, or findings that an infraction was committed based 35 upon a violation of any motor vehicle law; and the status of the 36 37 person's driving privilege in this state. The enumeration shall include any reports of failure to appear in response to a traffic 38 39 citation or failure to respond to a notice of infraction served upon

the named individual by an arresting officer. Certified abstracts furnished to prosecutors and alcohol/drug assessment or treatment agencies shall also indicate whether a recorded violation is an alcohol-related offense as defined in RCW 46.01.260(2) that was originally charged as one of the alcohol-related offenses designated in RCW 46.01.260(2)(b)(i).

7 The abstract provided to the insurance company shall exclude any 8 information, except that related to the commission of misdemeanors or 9 felonies by the individual, pertaining to law enforcement officers or 10 fire fighters as defined in RCW 41.26.030, or any officer of the Washington state patrol, while driving official vehicles in the 11 performance of occupational duty. The abstract provided to the 12 insurance company shall include convictions for RCW 46.61.5249 and 13 46.61.525 except that the abstract shall report them only as negligent 14 15 driving without reference to whether they are for first or second 16 degree negligent driving. The abstract provided to the insurance company shall exclude any deferred prosecution under RCW 10.05.060, 17 except that if a person is removed from a deferred prosecution under 18 19 RCW 10.05.090, the abstract shall show the deferred prosecution as well 20 as the removal.

The director shall collect for each abstract the sum of ((four)) 22 <u>five</u> dollars ((and fifty cents)) which shall be deposited in the 23 highway safety fund.

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Any insurance company or its agent receiving the certified abstract shall use it exclusively for its own underwriting purposes and shall not divulge any of the information contained in it to a third party. No policy of insurance may be canceled, nonrenewed, denied, or have the rate increased on the basis of such information unless the policyholder was determined to be at fault. No insurance company or its agent for underwriting purposes relating to the operation of commercial motor vehicles may use any information contained in the abstract relative to any person's operation of motor vehicles while not engaged in such employment, nor may any insurance company or its agent for underwriting purposes relating to the operation of noncommercial motor vehicles use any information contained in the abstract relative to any person's operation of commercial motor vehicles.

Any employer or prospective employer or an agent acting on behalf of an employer or prospective employer receiving the certified abstract shall use it exclusively for his or her own purpose to determine

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- whether the licensee should be permitted to operate a commercial vehicle or school bus upon the public highways of this state and shall
- 3 not divulge any information contained in it to a third party.
- Any alcohol/drug assessment or treatment agency approved by the department of social and health services receiving the certified abstract shall use it exclusively for the purpose of assisting its employees in making a determination as to what level of treatment, if any, is appropriate. The agency, or any of its employees, shall not
- 9 divulge any information contained in the abstract to a third party.

  10 Release of a certified abstract of the driving record of an

  11 employee or prospective employee requires a statement signed by: (1)
- 12 The employee or prospective employee that authorizes the release of the
- 13 record, and (2) the employer attesting that the information is
- 14 necessary to determine whether the licensee should be employed to
- 15 operate a commercial vehicle or school bus upon the public highways of
- 16 this state. If the employer or prospective employer authorizes an
- 17 agent to obtain this information on their behalf, this must be noted in
- 18 the statement.
- 19 Any negligent violation of this section is a gross misdemeanor.
- 20 Any intentional violation of this section is a class C felony.
- 21 **Sec. 16.** RCW 46.68.020 and 1961 c 12 s 46.68.020 are each amended 22 to read as follows:
- 23 The director shall forward all fees for certificates of ownership
- 24 or other moneys accruing under the provisions of chapter 46.12 RCW to
- 25 the state treasurer, together with a proper identifying detailed
- 26 report. The state treasurer shall credit such moneys to the ((motor
- 27 vehicle fund)) multimodal transportation account in RCW 47.66.070 and
- 28 all expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of that chapter
- 29 shall be paid from such ((fund)) account as authorized by legislative
- 30 appropriation.
- 31 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 17.** Any fee increases provided in this act do
- 32 not constitute new transportation revenue for the purposes of chapter
- 33 5, Laws of 2002.

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