

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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President of the Senate

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FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved May 16, 2003.

GARY LOCKE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Milton H. Doumit, Jr., Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5284** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

MILTON H. DOUMIT JR.

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
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By Senators Stevens, Horn, Benton, Haugen, Oke, Swecker, Esser and Mulliken

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1 AN ACT Relating to failure to use required traction equipment;
2 amending RCW 47.36.250; and prescribing penalties.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.36.250 and 1987 c 330 s 747 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 If the department or its delegate determines at any time for any
7 part of the public highway system that the unsafe conditions of the
8 roadway require particular tires, tire chains, or traction equipment in
9 addition to or beyond the ordinary pneumatic rubber tires, the
10 department may establish the following recommendations or requirements
11 with respect to the use of such equipment for all persons using such
12 public highway:

13 ~~((1) Dangerous road conditions, chains or other approved traction
14 devices recommended.~~

15 ~~(2) Dangerous road conditions, chains or other approved traction
16 devices required.~~

17 ~~(3) Dangerous road conditions, chains required.))~~

18 (1) Traction advisory - oversize vehicles prohibited.

1 (2) Traction advisory - oversize vehicles prohibited. Vehicles
2 over 10,000 GVW - chains required.

3 (3) Traction advisory - oversize vehicles prohibited. All vehicles
4 - chains required, except all wheel drive.

5 Any equipment that may be required by this section shall be
6 approved by the state patrol as authorized under RCW 46.37.420.

7 The department shall place and maintain signs and other traffic
8 control devices on the public highways that indicate the tire, tire
9 chain, or traction equipment recommendation or requirement determined
10 under this section. Such signs or traffic control devices shall in no
11 event prohibit the use of studded tires from November 1st to April 1st,
12 but when the department determines that chains are required and that no
13 other traction equipment will suffice, the requirement is applicable to
14 all types of tires including studded tires. The ~~((signs or traffic~~
15 ~~control devices))~~ Washington state patrol or the department may specify
16 different recommendations or requirements for four wheel drive vehicles
17 in gear.

18 Failure to obey a requirement indicated ~~((by a sign or other~~
19 ~~traffic control device placed or maintained))~~ under this section is a
20 ~~((misdemeanor))~~ traffic infraction under chapter 46.63 RCW subject to
21 a penalty of five hundred dollars including all statutory assessments.

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