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1 AN ACT Relating to funding certain state route number 2 highway
2 projects; amending RCW 46.16.270, 46.68.041, and 82.08.020; adding a
3 new section to chapter 46.68 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.16.270 and 2005 c 314 s 302 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 ~~((The total replacement plate fee shall be deposited in the motor
8 vehicle fund.))~~

9 (1) Upon the loss, defacement, or destruction of one or both of the
10 vehicle license number plates issued for any vehicle where more than
11 one plate was originally issued or where one or both have become so
12 illegible or in such a condition as to be difficult to distinguish, or
13 upon the owner's option, the owner of the vehicle shall make
14 application for new vehicle license number plates upon a form furnished
15 by the director. The application shall be filed with the director or
16 the director's authorized agent, accompanied by the certificate of
17 license registration of the vehicle and a fee in the amount of ten
18 dollars per plate, whereupon the director, or the director's authorized
19 agent, shall issue new vehicle license number plates to the applicant.

1 It shall be accompanied by a fee of two dollars for a new motorcycle
2 license number plate. In the event the director has issued license
3 period tabs or a windshield emblem instead of vehicle license number
4 plates, and upon the loss, defacement, or destruction of the tabs or
5 windshield emblem, application shall be made on a form provided by the
6 director and in the same manner as above described, and shall be
7 accompanied by a fee of one dollar for each pair of tabs or for each
8 windshield emblem, whereupon the director shall issue to the applicant
9 a duplicate pair of tabs, year tabs, and when necessary month tabs or
10 a windshield emblem to replace those lost, defaced, or destroyed. For
11 vehicles owned, rented, or leased by the state of Washington or by any
12 county, city, town, school district, or other political subdivision of
13 the state of Washington or United States government, or owned or leased
14 by the governing body of an Indian tribe as defined in RCW 46.16.020,
15 a fee shall be charged for replacement of a vehicle license number
16 plate only to the extent required by the provisions of RCW 46.16.020,
17 46.16.237, and 46.01.140. For vehicles owned, rented, or leased by
18 foreign countries or international bodies to which the United States
19 government is a signatory by treaty, the payment of any fee for the
20 replacement of a vehicle license number plate shall not be required.

21 (2) The ten-dollar vehicle license number plate replacement fee
22 must be deposited as follows:

23 (a) Seven dollars per vehicle license number plate in the motor
24 vehicle fund; and

25 (b) Three dollars per vehicle license number plate in the state
26 route number 2 safety corridor account created in section 4 of this
27 act.

28 (3) The remaining fees described under this section must be
29 deposited in the motor vehicle fund.

30 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.68.041 and 2004 c 95 s 15 are each amended to read
31 as follows:

32 (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this section,
33 the department shall forward all funds accruing under the provisions of
34 chapter 46.20 RCW together with a proper identifying, detailed report
35 to the state treasurer who shall deposit such moneys to the credit of
36 the highway safety fund.

1 (2) Sixty-three percent of each fee collected by the department
2 under RCW 46.20.311 (1)(e)(ii), (2)(b)(ii), and (3)(b) shall be
3 deposited in the impaired driving safety account.

4 (3) Ten percent of the fee collected by the department under RCW
5 46.20.161 must be deposited in the state route number 2 safety corridor
6 account created in section 4 of this act.

7 **Sec. 3.** RCW 82.08.020 and 2006 c 1 s 3 are each amended to read as
8 follows:

9 (1) There is levied and there shall be collected a tax on each
10 retail sale in this state equal to six and five-tenths percent of the
11 selling price.

12 (2) There is levied and there shall be collected an additional tax
13 on each retail car rental, regardless of whether the vehicle is
14 licensed in this state, equal to five and nine-tenths percent of the
15 selling price. The revenue collected under this subsection shall be
16 deposited as follows:

17 (a) Seventy percent in the multimodal transportation account
18 created in RCW 47.66.070; and

19 (b) Thirty percent in the state route number 2 safety corridor
20 account created in section 4 of this act.

21 (3) Beginning July 1, 2003, there is levied and collected an
22 additional tax of three-tenths of one percent of the selling price on
23 each retail sale of a motor vehicle in this state, other than retail
24 car rentals taxed under subsection (2) of this section. The revenue
25 collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the multimodal
26 transportation account created in RCW 47.66.070.

27 (4) For purposes of subsection (3) of this section, "motor vehicle"
28 has the meaning provided in RCW 46.04.320, but does not include farm
29 tractors or farm vehicles as defined in RCW 46.04.180 and 46.04.181,
30 off-road and nonhighway vehicles as defined in RCW 46.09.020, and
31 snowmobiles as defined in RCW 46.10.010.

32 (5) Beginning on December 8, 2005, 0.16 percent of the taxes
33 collected under subsection (1) of this section shall be dedicated to
34 funding comprehensive performance audits required under RCW 43.09.470.
35 The revenue identified in this subsection shall be deposited in the
36 performance audits of government account created in RCW 43.09.475.

1 (6) The taxes imposed under this chapter shall apply to successive
2 retail sales of the same property.

3 (7) The rates provided in this section apply to taxes imposed under
4 chapter 82.12 RCW as provided in RCW 82.12.020.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 46.68 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The state route number 2 safety corridor account is created in the
8 motor vehicle fund. All receipts from the fee imposed under RCW
9 46.16.270(1) for replacement vehicle license number plates, as
10 distributed under RCW 46.16.270(2)(b), ten percent of the fees
11 collected under RCW 46.20.161, and thirty percent of receipts from
12 taxes collected under RCW 82.08.020(2)(b) must be deposited into the
13 account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.
14 Expenditures from the account may be used for the following:

15 (1) Expanding state route number 2 beginning near the junction with
16 state route number 9 at milepost 5 to the King county line at Stevens
17 pass near milepost 64 to four lanes;

18 (2) Purchasing the remaining right-of-way for the Monroe bypass;
19 and

20 (3) Constructing a two-lane Monroe bypass using the existing right-
21 of-way.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act is necessary for the immediate
23 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
24 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
25 immediately.

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