
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1808

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By House Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Clibborn, McDonald, Kagi, Caldier, Senn, Graves, Lovick, Dent, McBride, Farrell, Wylie, Slatter, Macri, Doglio, Robinson, Ortiz-Self, Ormsby, Sells, Fey, Frame, Muri, Riccelli, Springer, Jinkins, Gregerson, Stanford, and Pollet)

READ FIRST TIME 02/24/17.

1 AN ACT Relating to providing support for foster youth in
2 obtaining drivers' licenses and automobile liability insurance;
3 adding a new section to chapter 74.13 RCW; and creating a new
4 section.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) Subject to the availability of funds appropriated for this
9 specific purpose, the department shall contract with a private
10 nonprofit organization that agrees to work collaboratively with
11 independent living providers and the department and is selected after
12 a competitive application process to provide driver's license support
13 for foster youth, including youth receiving extended foster care
14 services.

15 (2) The nonprofit organization selected pursuant to subsection
16 (1) of this section shall provide support for foster youth ages
17 fifteen through twenty-one, including youth receiving extended foster
18 care services, in navigating the driver's licensing process. This
19 support must include:

20 (a) Reimbursement of fees necessary for a foster youth to obtain
21 a driver's instruction permit, an intermediate license, and a

1 standard or enhanced driver's license, including any required
2 examination fees, as described in chapter 46.20 RCW;

3 (b) Reimbursement of fees required for a foster youth to complete
4 a driver training education course, if the foster youth is under the
5 age of eighteen, as outlined in chapter 46.82 or 28A.220 RCW;

6 (c) Reimbursement of the increase in motor vehicle liability
7 insurance costs incurred by foster parents, relative placements, or
8 other foster placements adding a foster youth to his or her motor
9 vehicle liability insurance policy, with a preference on
10 reimbursements for those foster youth who practice safe driving and
11 avoid moving violations and at-fault collisions.

12 (3) By December 1, 2019, the nonprofit organization selected
13 pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall submit a report to
14 the department and the appropriate committees of the legislature,
15 including the transportation committees of the legislature,
16 documenting the number of foster youth served by the program; the
17 average cost per youth served; the extent to which foster youth
18 report any negative outcomes of the program, including a foster
19 parent's inappropriate use of a foster youth's driving authorization;
20 and recommendations for future policy or statutory or funding changes
21 necessary to more effectively allow foster youth to obtain drivers'
22 licenses and motor vehicle liability insurance.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of
24 this act is not provided by June 30, 2017, in the omnibus
25 transportation appropriations act, this act is null and void.

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