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By Representatives Kirby, Barkis, Robertson, and Chambers

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1 AN ACT Relating to motor vehicle transporter license plates;
2 amending RCW 46.76.030 and 46.76.040; reenacting and amending RCW
3 46.76.060 and 46.76.065; and providing an effective date.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.76.030 and 2018 c 135 s 3 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Upon receiving an application for transporter's license the
8 director, if satisfied that the applicant is entitled thereto, shall
9 issue a proper certificate of license registration and ((a)) up to
10 three distinctive ((set)) sets of license plates or an indicator tab
11 pursuant to RCW 46.55.065 and shall transmit the fees obtained
12 therefor with a proper identifying report to the state treasurer, who
13 shall deposit such fees in the motor vehicle fund. The certificate of
14 license registration and license plates or indicator tab issued by
15 the director shall authorize the holder of the license to drive or
16 tow any motor vehicle or trailers upon the public highways of
17 Washington state. The director, if satisfied that the applicant has
18 sufficient business need, may issue more than three, but no more than
19 10, sets of license plates to meet the business need of the
20 applicant.

1 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.76.040 and 2019 c 44 s 7 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 The fee for an original transporter's license is (~~twenty-five~~
4 ~~dollars~~) \$150. The fee for renewing a transporter's license is \$100.
5 Transporter license number plates bearing an appropriate symbol and
6 serial number or an indicator tab pursuant to RCW 46.55.065 must be
7 attached to all vehicles being delivered or evaluated in the conduct
8 of the business licensed under this chapter. The plates or indicator
9 tab may be obtained for a fee of (~~two dollars~~) \$50 for each set.

10 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.76.060 and 2018 c 135 s 4 and 2018 c 16 s 3 are
11 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

12 Transporter's license plates or indicator tabs pursuant to RCW
13 46.55.065 must be conspicuously displayed on all vehicles being
14 delivered by the driveaway or towaway methods or being driven on the
15 public roads of the state for the purpose of repair evaluation. These
16 plates or indicator tabs must not be loaned to or used by any person
17 other than the holder of the license or his or her employees. If a
18 transporter license plate or indicator tab is lost, stolen, or
19 damaged, the holder of the license must report the event to the
20 department within 10 days of discovering that the transporter license
21 plate or indicator tab has been lost, stolen, or damaged.

22 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.76.065 and 2018 c 135 s 5 and 2018 c 16 s 4 are
23 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

24 The following conduct shall be sufficient grounds pursuant to RCW
25 34.05.422 for the director or a designee to deny, suspend, or revoke
26 the license of a motor vehicle transporter:

27 (1) Using transporter plates or indicator tabs pursuant to RCW
28 46.55.065 for driveaway or towaway of any vehicle owned by such
29 transporter;

30 (2) Knowingly, as that term is defined in RCW 9A.08.010(1)(b),
31 having possession of a stolen vehicle or a vehicle with a defaced,
32 missing, or obliterated manufacturer's identification serial number;

33 (3) Loaning transporter plates or indicator tabs;

34 (4) Using transporter plates or indicator tabs for any purpose
35 other than as provided under RCW 46.76.010 or 46.76.015; (~~or~~)

36 (5) Violation of provisions of this chapter or of rules and
37 regulations adopted relating to enforcement and proper operation of
38 this chapter; or

1 (6) Using transporter plates on public highways located outside
2 of Washington state.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act takes effect January 1, 2022.

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