

SHB 3001 - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Transportation

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that a number of
4 cities and counties in the state of Washington establish traffic
5 schools. A court in a county that has established a traffic school may
6 order an individual to attend the school as part of a sentence for the
7 conviction of a traffic violation or as a condition on the suspension
8 or deferral of a sentence. The legislature recognizes that since
9 driver's education programs have only recently been required to provide
10 information about how to drive safely among bicyclists and pedestrians,
11 many licensed drivers do not have knowledge about such safe driving
12 practices. In order to increase such knowledge and to avoid
13 unnecessary injuries, fatalities, and conflicts, the legislature
14 believes that it is appropriate to include bicycle and pedestrian
15 curriculum approved by the department of licensing for traffic schools
16 or to new drivers as part of the curriculum of traffic schools.
17 Curriculum materials, which are donated by bicycle organizations
18 without state expense, are available from the department of licensing
19 and posted on the department's web site.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 46.83 RCW
21 to read as follows:

22 A traffic school established under this chapter shall include, as
23 part of its curriculum on rules of the road, the curriculum for driving
24 safely among bicyclists and pedestrians that has been approved by the
25 department for driver training schools or traffic schools. This
26 curriculum requirement must not exceed thirty minutes of the class or
27 course."

1 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "schools;" strike the
2 remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter
3 46.83 RCW; and creating a new section."

EFFECT: Requires that all traffic schools include curriculum on driving safely among bicyclists and pedestrians rather than only traffic schools conducted as a condition of the deferral of an infraction under RCW 46.63.070(5). The curriculum requirement is changed from not exceeding thirty minutes of an eight-hour curriculum block to not exceeding thirty minutes of the class or course.

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