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SENATE BILL 6456

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By Senators King and Lias

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1 AN ACT Relating to requirements before issuance of an initial  
2 vehicle registration; and amending RCW 46.16A.050.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.16A.050 and 2010 c 161 s 405 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The department, county auditor or other agent, or subagent  
7 appointed by the director shall not issue an initial (~~or renewal~~)  
8 registration certificate for a motor vehicle to a natural person under  
9 this chapter unless the natural person at time of application:

10 (a) Presents an unexpired Washington state driver's license; or

11 (b) Certifies that he or she is:

12 (i) A Washington state resident who does not operate a motor  
13 vehicle on public roads; or

14 (ii) Exempt from the requirement to obtain a Washington state  
15 driver's license under RCW 46.20.025.

16 (2) The department must set up procedures to verify that all owners  
17 meet the requirements of this section.

18 (3) A person falsifying residency is guilty of a gross misdemeanor  
19 punishable only by a fine of five hundred twenty-nine dollars.

1           (4) The department may adopt rules necessary to implement this  
2 section, including rules under which a natural person applying for  
3 registration may be exempt from the requirements of this section if the  
4 person provides evidence satisfactory to the department that he or she  
5 has a valid and compelling reason for not being able to meet the  
6 requirements of this section.

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