

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SHB 1813

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As Reported by Senate Committee On:  
Transportation, March 14, 2017

**Title:** An act relating to aligning existing definitions and practices to establish a uniform process for updating addresses of record and make conforming amendments to statutes administered by the department of licensing.

**Brief Description:** Aligning existing definitions and practices to establish a uniform process for updating addresses of record and make conforming amendments to statutes administered by the department of licensing.

**Sponsors:** House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Kloba and Harmsworth; by request of Department of Licensing).

**Brief History:** Passed House: 2/27/17, 96-0.

**Committee Activity:** Transportation: 3/13/17, 3/14/17 [DP].

### Brief Summary of Bill

- Resolves technical issues in law to assist in the implementation of the Department of Licensing's Business and Technology Modernization project.

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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators King, Chair; Hobbs, Ranking Minority Member; Liias, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Cleveland, Hawkins, O'Ban, Saldaña, Takko, Van De Wege, Walsh and Wilson.

**Staff:** Kellee Keegan (786-7429)

**Background:** The Department of Licensing (DOL) is currently involved in replacing their driver and vehicle information technology system called the Business and Technology Modernization project (DRIVES). In the process of carrying out this project, DOL uncovered technical issues in state law that need to be resolved prior to the DRIVES

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implementation. DRIVES just completed the replacement of the vehicle-related systems in December 2016. Driver-related systems are expected to be completed in 2018.

**Summary of Bill:** The Act makes the following changes to current law:

- amends the definition of horseless carriage license plate from a motor vehicle that is more than 40 years old to a vehicle that is at least 40 years old;
- allows for the purchase of a single vehicle tab in instances of replacement where a vehicle only requires one plate;
- corrects a 2010 drafting error made regarding the distribution of the farm vehicle reduced gross weight fee;
- restores language authorizing DOL to maintain motor vehicle accident records that were inadvertently deleted by the Legislature in the 2016 legislative session; and
- clarifies which service fees are deposited into the Capital Vessel Replacement account.

The Act also creates a general procedure for establishing and updating the name and address for applicants of a driver's license, identicard, certificate of title, vehicle or vessel registration, or other permit. If a person changes their name or address, the person must notify the DOL in writing or through other means as decided within ten days by the DOL through rule. The address or name associated with a vehicle registration would then be updated concurrently with the name and address information on file for the corresponding driver's license.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members:** No.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:** PRO: This bill is technical and related to updating the vehicle portions of the information technology system. When someone updates their drivers license, it will also update their vehicle registration information. It allows drivers to change their address with DOL once, instead of multiple times. This bill is the same as the Senate companion.

**Persons Testifying:** PRO: Representative Shelley Kloba, Prime Sponsor; Stephanie Sams, Dept of Licensing.

**Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying:** No one.