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1 AN ACT Relating to funding for traffic safety education programs;
2 adding a new section to chapter 82.08 RCW; creating a new section;
3 making an appropriation; providing an effective date; and declaring an
4 emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that traffic
7 safety education programs offer students the necessary skills and
8 knowledge to become safe, responsible operators of motor vehicles, and
9 reduce the incidence of motor vehicle accidents among teenage drivers.
10 Therefore, the intent of section 2 of this act is to provide a
11 dedicated revenue source for traffic safety education programs.

12 It is also the intent of the legislature that students from
13 families with limited financial resources be given higher priority in
14 allocating the funding provided by section 2 of this act.

1 It is further the intent of the legislature that the adequacy and
2 appropriateness of the amount and source of funding under section 2 of
3 this act be periodically reviewed.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 82.08 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) In addition to other taxes imposed in this chapter, a tax of
7 two dollars per day or part of a day is imposed on each retail sale
8 that is a lease or rental of a motor vehicle licensed for hire,
9 regardless of whether the vehicle is licensed in this state. This tax
10 applies only to rentals and leases of motor vehicles designed to carry
11 less than nine passengers, and only to the first thirty days of the
12 rental or lease term.

13 (2) The tax imposed in this section is part of the selling price
14 for purposes of the tax imposed in RCW 82.08.020.

15 (3) Revenue from the tax imposed in this section shall be deposited
16 in the general fund and used solely for funding traffic safety
17 education programs.

18 (4) Before January 1, 1995, and January 1, of each fifth year
19 thereafter:

20 (a) The department of revenue shall provide the legislature with an
21 updated estimate of the amount of revenue attributable to the tax
22 imposed in this section, with detail by type of rental or lease
23 transaction.

24 (b) The superintendent of public instruction shall provide the
25 legislature with a report on the adequacy and appropriateness of the
26 level of funding provided under this section.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The sum of eight million dollars, or as
28 much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the general fund

1 to the superintendent of public instruction for the biennium ending
2 June 30, 1993, solely for the purposes of traffic safety education
3 programs.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
5 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
6 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
7 effect April 1, 1992.