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By Senators Sellar, Newhouse and McMullen; by request of Department of Licensing

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1 AN ACT Relating to for hire vehicles; amending RCW 46.72.040 and
2 46.72.050; and repealing RCW 46.72.010, 46.72.020, 46.72.030,
3 46.72.070, 46.72.080, 46.72.100, 46.72.110, 46.72.120, 46.72.130,
4 46.72.140, and 46.72.150.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.72.040 and 1973 c 15 s 1 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 ~~((Before a permit is issued))~~ Every for hire operator shall be
9 required to ~~((deposit and thereafter keep on file with the director))~~
10 have a surety bond ~~((running to the state of Washington))~~ covering each
11 and every for hire vehicle as may be owned or leased by him or her and
12 used in the conduct of his or her business as a for hire operator.
13 Such bond shall be in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for any
14 recovery for death or personal injury by one person, and three hundred

1 thousand dollars for all persons killed or receiving personal injury by
2 reason of one act of negligence, and twenty-five thousand dollars for
3 damage to property of any person other than the assured, with a good
4 and sufficient surety company licensed to do business in this state as
5 surety (~~((and to be approved by the director, conditioned for the
6 faithful compliance by the principal of said bond with the provisions
7 of this chapter))~~), and to pay all damages which may be sustained by any
8 person injured by reason of any careless negligence or unlawful act on
9 the part of said principal, (~~(his)~~) the principal's agents or employees
10 in the conduct of said business or in the operation of any motor
11 propelled vehicle used in transporting passengers for compensation on
12 any public highway of this state.

13 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.72.050 and 1973 c 15 s 2 are each amended to read
14 as follows:

15 In lieu of the surety bond as provided in this chapter, there may
16 be (~~((deposited))~~) obtained and kept (~~((on file and))~~) in force (~~((with the
17 director))~~) a public liability insurance policy covering each and every
18 motor vehicle operated or intended to be so operated, executed by an
19 insurance company licensed and authorized to write such insurance
20 policies in the state of Washington, assuring the applicant for a
21 permit against property damage and personal liability to the public,
22 with the premiums paid and payment noted thereon. Said policy of
23 insurance shall provide a minimum coverage equal and identical to the
24 coverage required by the aforesaid surety bond, specified under the
25 provisions of RCW 46.72.040. No provisions of this chapter shall be
26 construed to limit the right of any injured person to any private right
27 of action against a for hire operator as herein defined.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The following acts or parts of acts are

2 each repealed:

3 (1) RCW 46.72.010 and 1991 c 99 s 1, 1979 c 111 s 14, & 1961 c 12
4 s 46.72.010;

5 (2) RCW 46.72.020 and 1979 c 158 s 188, 1967 c 32 s 80, & 1961 c 12
6 s 46.72.020;

7 (3) RCW 46.72.030 and 1967 c 32 s 81 & 1961 c 12 s 46.72.030;

8 (4) RCW 46.72.070 and 1967 c 32 s 84 & 1961 c 12 s 46.72.070;

9 (5) RCW 46.72.080 and 1967 c 32 s 85 & 1961 c 12 s 46.72.080;

10 (6) RCW 46.72.100 and 1983 c 164 s 8, 1967 c 32 s 86, & 1961 c 12
11 s 46.72.100;

12 (7) RCW 46.72.110 and 1967 c 32 s 87 & 1961 c 12 s 46.72.110;

13 (8) RCW 46.72.120 and 1967 c 32 s 88 & 1961 c 12 s 46.72.120;

14 (9) RCW 46.72.130 and 1967 c 32 s 89 & 1961 c 12 s 46.72.130;

15 (10) RCW 46.72.140 and 1967 c 32 s 90 & 1961 c 12 s 46.72.140; and

16 (11) RCW 46.72.150 and 1961 c 12 s 46.72.150.