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1 AN ACT Relating to proof of insurance for renewal of a vehicle
2 license; amending RCW 46.16.210 and 46.30.040; and prescribing
3 penalties.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.16.210 and 1977 c 8 s 1 are each amended to read as
6 follows:

7 (1) Upon receipt of the application and proper fee for original
8 vehicle license, the director shall make a recheck of the application
9 and in the event that there is any error in the application it may be
10 returned to the county auditor or other agent to effectively secure the
11 correction of such error, who shall return the same corrected to the
12 director.

13 (2) Application for the renewal of a vehicle license shall be made
14 to the director or his agents, including county auditors, by the
15 registered owner on a form prescribed by the director. The application
16 must be accompanied by the certificate of registration for the last
17 registration period in which the vehicle was registered in Washington
18 unless the applicant submits a preprinted application mailed from
19 Olympia, proof of current liability insurance required by RCW

1 46.30.020, and the payment of such license fees and excise tax as may
2 be required by law. Such application shall be handled in the same
3 manner and the fees transmitted to the state treasurer in the same
4 manner as in the case of an original application. Any such application
5 which upon validation becomes a renewal certificate need not have
6 entered upon it the name of the lien holder, if any, of the vehicle
7 concerned.

8 (3) Persons expecting to be out of the state during the normal
9 forty-five day renewal period of a vehicle license may secure renewal
10 of such vehicle license for a period of thirty days prior thereto and
11 have license plates or tabs preissued by making application to the
12 director or his agents upon forms prescribed by the director. The
13 application must be accompanied by the certificate of registration for
14 the last registration period in which the vehicle was registered in
15 Washington and proof of current liability insurance required by RCW
16 46.30.020 and be accompanied by such license fees, including a special
17 handling fee of two dollars; one dollar to be retained by the issuing
18 agency, and one dollar to be deposited in the highway safety fund, and
19 excise tax as may be required by law.

20 (4) Application for the annual renewal of a vehicle license number
21 plate to the director or his agents shall not be required for those
22 vehicles owned, rented, or leased by the state of Washington, or by any
23 county, city, town, school district, or other political subdivision of
24 the state of Washington.

25 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.30.040 and 1991 sp.s. c 25 s 2 are each amended to
26 read as follows:

27 Any person who knowingly provides false evidence of financial
28 responsibility to a law enforcement officer (~~(or)~~), to a court, or on
29 an application for renewal of a vehicle license, including an expired
30 or canceled insurance policy, bond, or certificate of deposit is guilty
31 of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of two hundred fifty dollars on
32 the first offense. On the second offense under this section the person
33 is subject to a fine of five hundred dollars, and the law enforcement
34 agency having jurisdiction shall seize and hold the license plates of
35 the subject vehicle until the registered owner provides proof of
36 insurance in accordance with this chapter. On a third or subsequent
37 violation under this section the person is subject to a fine of one

1 thousand dollars and seizure of the vehicle until proof of insurance is
2 provided.

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