
SENATE BILL 5641

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By Senator Roach

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1 AN ACT Relating to proof of insurance for vehicle registration; and
2 amending RCW 46.16.040 and 46.16.210.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.16.040 and 1987 c 244 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Application for original vehicle license shall be made on (~~{a}~~)
7 a form furnished for the purpose by the department. Such application
8 shall be made by the owner of the vehicle or duly authorized agent over
9 the signature of such owner or agent, and the applicant shall certify
10 that the statements therein are true to the best of the applicant's
11 knowledge. The application must show:

12 (1) Name and address of the owner of the vehicle and, if the
13 vehicle is subject to a security agreement, the name and address of the
14 secured party;

15 (2) Trade name of the vehicle, model, year, type of body, the
16 identification number thereof;

17 (3) The power to be used--whether electric, steam, gas or other
18 power;

1 (4) The purpose for which said vehicle is to be used and the nature
2 of the license required;

3 (5) The licensed gross weight for such vehicle which in the case of
4 for hire vehicles and auto stages with seating capacity of more than
5 six shall be the adult seating capacity thereof, including the
6 operator, as provided for in RCW 46.16.111. In the case of motor
7 trucks, tractors, and truck tractors, the licensed gross weight shall
8 be the gross weight declared by the applicant pursuant to the
9 provisions of RCW 46.16.111;

10 (6) The unladen weight of such vehicle, if it be a motor truck or
11 trailer, which shall be the shipping weight thereof as given by the
12 manufacturer thereof unless another weight is shown by weight slip
13 verified by a certified weighmaster, which slip shall be attached to
14 the original application;

15 (7) Such other information as shall be required upon such
16 application by the department.

17 The application must be accompanied by written proof that the owner
18 of the vehicle is covered by liability insurance or other financial
19 responsibility in accordance with chapter 46.30 RCW.

20 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.16.210 and 1977 c 8 s 1 are each amended to read as
21 follows:

22 (1) Upon receipt of the application and proper fee for original
23 vehicle license, the director shall make a recheck of the application
24 and in the event that there is any error or omission in the application
25 it may be returned to the county auditor or other agent to effectively
26 secure the correction of such error or omission, who shall return the
27 same corrected to the director.

28 (2) Application for the renewal of a vehicle license shall be made
29 to the director or his agents, including county auditors, by the
30 registered owner on a form prescribed by the director. The application
31 must be accompanied by (a) the certificate of registration for the last
32 registration period in which the vehicle was registered in Washington
33 unless the applicant submits a preprinted application mailed from
34 Olympia, (b) written proof that the registered owner of the vehicle is
35 covered by liability insurance or other financial responsibility in
36 accordance with chapter 46.30 RCW, and (c) the payment of such license
37 fees and excise tax as may be required by law. Such application shall
38 be handled in the same manner and the fees transmitted to the state

1 treasurer in the same manner as in the case of an original application.
2 Any such application which upon validation becomes a renewal
3 certificate need not have entered upon it the name of the lien holder,
4 if any, of the vehicle concerned.

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

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

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