

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1507

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ABANDONED VEHICLES--LIABILITY FOR COSTS OF REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL

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Passed by the House April 20, 1993
Yeas 96 Nays 1

BRIAN EBERSOLE
**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 8, 1993
Yeas 46 Nays 0

JOEL PRITCHARD
President of the Senate

Approved May 12, 1993

MIKE LOWRY
Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1507** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

ALAN THOMPSON
Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Zellinsky, Ballard, Chappell, Van Luven, R. Johnson, Campbell, R. Meyers, Springer and Sheldon)

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1 AN ACT Relating to abandoned, unauthorized, or junk vehicles;
2 adding a new section to chapter 46.55 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.55 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The abandonment of any vehicle creates a prima facie
7 presumption that the last registered owner of record is responsible for
8 the abandonment and is liable for costs incurred in removing, storing,
9 and disposing of the abandoned vehicle, less amounts realized at
10 auction.

11 (2) If an unauthorized vehicle is found abandoned under subsection
12 (1) of this section, the last registered owner of record is guilty of
13 a traffic infraction under chapter 46.63 RCW, unless the vehicle is
14 redeemed after impound as provided in RCW 46.55.120. In addition to
15 the monetary penalty payable under that chapter, the person found to
16 have committed the infraction is also liable for restitution in the
17 amount of the deficiency remaining after disposal of the vehicle under
18 RCW 46.55.140.

1 (3) Filing a report of sale or transfer regarding the vehicle
2 involved in accordance with RCW 46.12.101(1) or a vehicle theft report
3 filed with a law enforcement agency relieves the last registered owner
4 of liability under subsections (1) and (2) of this section.

5 (4) For the purposes of RCW 46.63.070(5)(b), a traffic infraction
6 under subsection (2) of this section is a moving violation and is not
7 considered to be a standing, stopping, or parking violation.

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