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AN ACT Relating to the replacement of license plates; and amending RCW 46.16.233.

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

Sec. 1. RCW 46.16 .233 and 1997 c 291 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

Except for those license plates issued under RCW 46.16.305(1) before January 1, 1987, under RCW 46.16.305(3), and to commercial vehicles with a gross weight in excess of twenty-six thousand pounds, effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on January 1, 2001, all vehicle license plates must be issued on a standard background, as designated by the department. ((Additionally, to ensure maximum legibility and reflectivity, the department shall periodically provide for the replacement of license plates. Frequency of replacement shall be established in accordance with empirical studies documenting the longevity of the reflective materials used to make license plates.))

