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CERTIFICATE

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5374** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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Secretary

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By Senators Heavey and Johnson; by request of Department of Licensing

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to corrective amendments to certain drivers'
- 2 licensing statutes; amending RCW 46.20.289, 46.20.342, 46.65.060,
- 3 46.20.500, 46.20.505, 46.20.510, 46.20.515, 46.20.041, 46.20.055,
- 4 46.20.100, and 46.20.117; and reenacting and amending RCW 46.20.308,
- 5 46.20.391, 46.52.100, and 46.61.5055.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.20.289 and 1995 c 219 s 2 are each amended to read 8 as follows:
- 9 The department shall suspend all driving privileges of a person
- 10 when the department receives notice from a court under RCW
- 11 46.63.070(5), 46.63.110(5), or 46.64.025 that the person has failed to
- 12 respond to a notice of traffic infraction, failed to appear at a
- 13 requested hearing, violated a written promise to appear in court, or
- 14 has failed to comply with the terms of a notice of traffic infraction
- 15 or citation, other than for a notice of a violation of RCW 46.55.105 or
- 16 a standing, stopping, or parking violation. A suspension under this
- 17 section takes effect thirty days after the date the department mails
- 18 notice of the suspension, and remains in effect until the department
- 19 has received a certificate from the court showing that the case has

- l been adjudicated, and until the person meets the requirements of RCW
- 2 46.20.311. A suspension under this section does not take effect if,
- 3 prior to the effective date of the suspension, the department receives
- 4 a certificate from the court showing that the case has been
- 5 adjudicated.
- 6 Sec. 2. RCW 46.20.308 and 1998 c 213 s 1, 1998 c 209 s 1, 1998 c
- 7 207 s 7, and 1998 c 41 s 4 are each reenacted and amended to read as
- 8 follows:
- 9 (1) Any person who operates a motor vehicle within this state is
- 10 deemed to have given consent, subject to the provisions of RCW
- 11 46.61.506, to a test or tests of his or her breath or blood for the
- 12 purpose of determining the alcohol concentration or presence of any
- 13 drug in his or her breath or blood if arrested for any offense where,
- 14 at the time of the arrest, the arresting officer has reasonable grounds
- 15 to believe the person had been driving or was in actual physical
- 16 control of a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating
- 17 liquor or any drug or was in violation of RCW 46.61.503.
- 18 (2) The test or tests of breath shall be administered at the
- 19 direction of a law enforcement officer having reasonable grounds to
- 20 believe the person to have been driving or in actual physical control
- 21 of a motor vehicle within this state while under the influence of
- 22 intoxicating liquor or any drug or the person to have been driving or
- 23 in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while having alcohol in
- 24 a concentration in violation of RCW 46.61.503 in his or her system and
- 25 being under the age of twenty-one. However, in those instances where
- 26 the person is incapable due to physical injury, physical incapacity, or
- 27 other physical limitation, of providing a breath sample or where the
- 28 person is being treated in a hospital, clinic, doctor's office,
- 29 emergency medical vehicle, ambulance, or other similar facility in
- 30 which a breath testing instrument is not present or where the officer
- 31 has reasonable grounds to believe that the person is under the
- 32 influence of a drug, a blood test shall be administered by a qualified
- 33 person as provided in RCW 46.61.506(4). The officer shall inform the
- 34 person of his or her right to refuse the breath or blood test, and of
- 35 his or her right to have additional tests administered by any qualified
- 36 person of his or her choosing as provided in RCW 46.61.506. The
- 37 officer shall warn the driver that:

- 1 (a) His or her license, permit, or privilege to drive will be 2 revoked or denied if he or she refuses to submit to the test;
- 3 (b) His or her license, permit, or privilege to drive will be 4 suspended, revoked, or denied if the test is administered and the test 5 indicates the alcohol concentration of the person's breath or blood is 6 0.08 or more, in the case of a person age twenty-one or over, or in 7 violation of RCW 46.61.502, 46.61.503, or 46.61.504 in the case of a person under age twenty-one; and
- 9 (c) His or her refusal to take the test may be used in a criminal trial.
- (3) Except as provided in this section, the test administered shall 11 be of the breath only. If an individual is unconscious or is under 12 arrest for the crime of vehicular homicide as provided in RCW 46.61.520 13 or vehicular assault as provided in RCW 46.61.522, or if an individual 14 15 is under arrest for the crime of driving while under the influence of 16 intoxicating liquor or drugs as provided in RCW 46.61.502, which arrest 17 results from an accident in which there has been serious bodily injury to another person, a breath or blood test may be administered without 18 19 the consent of the individual so arrested.
  - (4) Any person who is dead, unconscious, or who is otherwise in a condition rendering him or her incapable of refusal, shall be deemed not to have withdrawn the consent provided by subsection (1) of this section and the test or tests may be administered, subject to the provisions of RCW 46.61.506, and the person shall be deemed to have received the warnings required under subsection (2) of this section.

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- (5) If, following his or her arrest and receipt of warnings under subsection (2) of this section, the person arrested refuses upon the request of a law enforcement officer to submit to a test or tests of his or her breath or blood, no test shall be given except as authorized under subsection (3) or (4) of this section.
- (6) If, after arrest and after the other applicable conditions and requirements of this section have been satisfied, a test or tests of the person's blood or breath is administered and the test results indicate that the alcohol concentration of the person's breath or blood is 0.08 or more if the person is age twenty-one or over, or is in violation of RCW 46.61.502, 46.61.503, or 46.61.504 if the person is under the age of twenty-one, or the person refuses to submit to a test, the arresting officer or other law enforcement officer at whose

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- 1 direction any test has been given, or the department, where applicable, 2 if the arrest results in a test of the person's blood, shall:
- 3 (a) Serve notice in writing on the person on behalf of the 4 department of its intention to suspend, revoke, or deny the person's 5 license, permit, or privilege to drive as required by subsection (7) of 6 this section;
- 7 (b) Serve notice in writing on the person on behalf of the 8 department of his or her right to a hearing, specifying the steps he or 9 she must take to obtain a hearing as provided by subsection (8) of this 10 section;
- 11 (c) Mark the person's Washington state driver's license or permit 12 to drive, if any, in a manner authorized by the department;
- 13 (d) Serve notice in writing that the marked license or permit, if any, is a temporary license that is valid for sixty days from the date 14 15 of arrest or from the date notice has been given in the event notice is given by the department following a blood test, or until the 16 suspension, revocation, or denial of the person's license, permit, or 17 privilege to drive is sustained at a hearing pursuant to subsection (8) 18 19 of this section, whichever occurs first. No temporary license is valid 20 to any greater degree than the license or permit that it replaces; and
  - (e) Immediately notify the department of the arrest and transmit to the department within seventy-two hours, except as delayed as the result of a blood test, a sworn report or report under a declaration authorized by RCW 9A.72.085 that states:
  - (i) That the officer had reasonable grounds to believe the arrested person had been driving or was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle within this state while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs, or both, or was under the age of twenty-one years and had been driving or was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while having an alcohol concentration in violation of RCW 46.61.503;
- (ii) That after receipt of the warnings required by subsection (2) of this section the person refused to submit to a test of his or her blood or breath, or a test was administered and the results indicated that the alcohol concentration of the person's breath or blood was 0.08 or more if the person is age twenty-one or over, or was in violation of RCW 46.61.502, 46.61.503, or 46.61.504 if the person is under the age of twenty-one; and
- 38 (iii) Any other information that the director may require by rule.

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(7) The department of licensing, upon the receipt of a sworn report or report under a declaration authorized by RCW 9A.72.085 under subsection (6)(e) of this section, shall suspend, revoke, or deny the person's license, permit, or privilege to drive or any nonresident operating privilege, as provided in RCW 46.20.3101, such suspension, revocation, or denial to be effective beginning sixty days from the date of arrest or from the date notice has been given in the event notice is given by the department following a blood test, or when sustained at a hearing pursuant to subsection (8) of this section, whichever occurs first.

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(8) A person receiving notification under subsection (6)(b) of this 11 section may, within thirty days after the notice has been given, 12 13 request in writing a formal hearing before the department. The person shall pay a fee of one hundred dollars as part of the request. If the 14 15 request is mailed, it must be postmarked within thirty days after receipt of the notification. Upon timely receipt of such a request for 16 17 a formal hearing, including receipt of the required one hundred dollar fee, the department shall afford the person an opportunity for a 18 19 hearing. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the hearing is subject to and shall be scheduled and conducted in accordance with RCW 20 46.20.329 and 46.20.332. The hearing shall be conducted in the county 21 of the arrest, except that all or part of the hearing may, at the 22 discretion of the department, be conducted by telephone or other 23 24 electronic means. The hearing shall be held within sixty days 25 following the arrest or following the date notice has been given in the 26 event notice is given by the department following a blood test, unless 27 otherwise agreed to by the department and the person, in which case the action by the department shall be stayed, and any valid temporary 28 29 license marked under subsection (6)(c) of this section extended, if the 30 person is otherwise eligible for licensing. For the purposes of this section, the scope of the hearing shall cover the issues of whether a 31 law enforcement officer had reasonable grounds to believe the person 32 had been driving or was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle 33 34 within this state while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or 35 any drug or had been driving or was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle within this state while having alcohol in his or her 36 37 system in a concentration in violation of RCW 46.61.503 and was under the age of twenty-one, whether the person was placed under arrest, and 38 39 (a) whether the person refused to submit to the test or tests upon

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request of the officer after having been informed that such refusal 1 would result in the revocation of the person's license, permit, or 2 privilege to drive, or (b) if a test or tests were administered, 3 4 whether the applicable requirements of this section were satisfied before the administration of the test or tests, whether the person 5 submitted to the test or tests, or whether a test was administered 6 without express consent as permitted under this section, and whether 7 8 the test or tests indicated that the alcohol concentration of the 9 person's breath or blood was 0.08 or more if the person was age twenty-10 one or over at the time of the arrest, or was in violation of RCW 46.61.502, 46.61.503, or 46.61.504 if the person was under the age of 11 twenty-one at the time of the arrest. The sworn report or report under 12 13 a declaration authorized by RCW 9A.72.085 submitted by a law enforcement officer is prima facie evidence that the officer had 14 15 reasonable grounds to believe the person had been driving or was in 16 actual physical control of a motor vehicle within this state while 17 under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs, or both, or the person had been driving or was in actual physical control of a motor 18 19 vehicle within this state while having alcohol in his or her system in 20 a concentration in violation of RCW 46.61.503 and was under the age of twenty-one and that the officer complied with the requirements of this 21 22 section.

A hearing officer shall conduct the hearing, may issue subpoenas 23 24 for the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, and 25 shall administer oaths to witnesses. The hearing officer shall not 26 issue a subpoena for the attendance of a witness at the request of the person unless the request is accompanied by the fee required by RCW 27 5.56.010 for a witness in district court. The sworn report or report 28 under a declaration authorized by RCW 9A.72.085 of the law enforcement 29 30 officer and any other evidence accompanying the report shall be admissible without further evidentiary foundation 31 certifications authorized by the criminal rules for courts of limited 32 33 jurisdiction shall be admissible without further evidentiary 34 foundation. The person may be represented by counsel, may question 35 witnesses, may present evidence, and may testify. The department shall order that the suspension, revocation, or denial either be rescinded or 36 37 sustained.

(9) If the suspension, revocation, or denial is sustained after such a hearing, the person whose license, privilege, or permit is

suspended, revoked, or denied has the right to file a petition in the 1 superior court of the county of arrest to review the final order of 2 3 revocation by the department in the same manner as an appeal from a 4 decision of a court of limited jurisdiction. Notice of appeal must be 5 filed within thirty days after the date the final order is served or the right to appeal is waived. Notwithstanding RCW 46.20.334, RALJ 6 7 1.1, or other statutes or rules referencing de novo review, the appeal 8 shall be limited to a review of the record of the administrative 9 hearing. The appellant must pay the costs associated with obtaining 10 the record of the hearing before the hearing officer. The filing of the appeal does not stay the effective date of the suspension, 11 revocation, or denial. A petition filed under this subsection must 12 13 include the petitioner's grounds for requesting review. Upon granting petitioner's request for review, the court shall 14 review the 15 department's final order of suspension, revocation, or denial as 16 expeditiously as possible. The review must be limited to a determination of whether the department has committed any errors of 17 18 The superior court shall accept those factual determinations 19 supported by substantial evidence in the record: (a) That were expressly made by the department; or (b) that may reasonably be 20 inferred from the final order of the department. The superior court 21 may reverse, affirm, or modify the decision of the department or remand 22 the case back to the department for further proceedings. The decision 23 24 of the superior court must be in writing and filed in the clerk's 25 office with the other papers in the case. The court shall state the 26 reasons for the decision. If judicial relief is sought for a stay or other temporary remedy from the department's action, the court shall 27 28 not grant such relief unless the court finds that the appellant is 29 likely to prevail in the appeal and that without a stay the appellant 30 will suffer irreparable injury. If the court stays the suspension, 31 revocation, or denial it may impose conditions on such stay.

(10) If a person whose driver's license, permit, or privilege to drive has been or will be suspended, revoked, or denied under subsection (7) of this section, other than as a result of a breath or blood test refusal, and who has not committed an offense ((within the last five years)) for which he or she was granted a deferred prosecution under chapter 10.05 RCW, petitions a court for a deferred prosecution on criminal charges arising out of the arrest for which action has been or will be taken under subsection (7) of this section,

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the court may direct the department to stay any actual or proposed 1 2 suspension, revocation, or denial for at least forty-five days but not more than ninety days. If the court stays the suspension, revocation, 3 4 or denial, it may impose conditions on such stay. If the person is 5 otherwise eligible for licensing, the department shall issue a temporary license, or extend any valid temporary license marked under 6 7 subsection (6) of this section, for the period of the stay. 8 deferred prosecution treatment plan is not recommended in the report 9 made under RCW 10.05.050, or if treatment is rejected by the court, or 10 if the person declines to accept an offered treatment plan, or if the person violates any condition imposed by the court, then the court 11 shall immediately direct the department to cancel the stay and any 12 13 temporary marked license or extension of a temporary license issued under this subsection. 14

A suspension, revocation, or denial imposed under this section, other than as a result of a breath or blood test refusal, shall be stayed if the person is accepted for deferred prosecution as provided in chapter 10.05 RCW for the incident upon which the suspension, revocation, or denial is based. If the deferred prosecution is terminated, the stay shall be lifted and the suspension, revocation, or denial reinstated. If the deferred prosecution is completed, the stay shall be lifted and the suspension, or denial canceled.

- (11) When it has been finally determined under the procedures of this section that a nonresident's privilege to operate a motor vehicle in this state has been suspended, revoked, or denied, the department shall give information in writing of the action taken to the motor vehicle administrator of the state of the person's residence and of any state in which he or she has a license.
- 29 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.20.342 and 1993 c 501 s 6 are each amended to read 30 as follows:
- 31 (1) It is unlawful for any person to drive a motor vehicle in this 32 state while that person is in a suspended or revoked status or when his 33 or her privilege to drive is suspended or revoked in this or any other 34 state. Any person who has a valid Washington driver's license is not 35 guilty of a violation of this section.
- 36 (a) A person found to be an habitual offender under chapter 46.65 37 RCW, who violates this section while an order of revocation issued 38 under chapter 46.65 RCW prohibiting such operation is in effect, is

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- 1 guilty of driving while license suspended or revoked in the first
- 2 degree, a gross misdemeanor. Upon the first such conviction, the
- 3 person shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than ten days.
- 4 Upon the second conviction, the person shall be punished by
- 5 imprisonment for not less than ninety days. Upon the third or
- 6 subsequent conviction, the person shall be punished by imprisonment for
- 7 not less than one hundred eighty days. If the person is also convicted
- 8 of the offense defined in RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, when both
- 9 convictions arise from the same event, the minimum sentence of
- 10 confinement shall be not less than ninety days. The minimum sentence
- 11 of confinement required shall not be suspended or deferred.
- 12 conviction under this subsection does not prevent a person from
- 13 petitioning for reinstatement as provided by RCW 46.65.080.
- 14 (b) A person who violates this section while an order of suspension
- 15 or revocation prohibiting such operation is in effect and while the
- 16 person is not eligible to reinstate his or her driver's license or
- 17 driving privilege, other than for a suspension for the reasons
- 18 described in (c) of this subsection, is guilty of driving while license
- 19 suspended or revoked in the second degree, a gross misdemeanor. This
- 20 subsection applies when a person's driver's license or driving
- 21 privilege has been suspended or revoked by reason of:
- 22 (i) A conviction of a felony in the commission of which a motor
- 23 vehicle was used;
- 24 (ii) A previous conviction under this section;
- 25 (iii) A notice received by the department from a court or diversion
- 26 unit as provided by RCW 46.20.265, relating to a minor who has
- 27 committed, or who has entered a diversion unit concerning an offense
- 28 relating to alcohol, legend drugs, controlled substances, or imitation
- 29 controlled substances;
- 30 (iv) A conviction of RCW 46.20.410, relating to the violation of
- 31 restrictions of an occupational driver's license;
- 32 (v) A conviction of RCW 46.20.420, relating to the operation of a
- 33 motor vehicle with a suspended or revoked license;
- 34 (vi) A conviction of RCW 46.52.020, relating to duty in case of
- 35 injury to or death of a person or damage to an attended vehicle;
- 36 (vii) A conviction of RCW 46.61.024, relating to attempting to
- 37 elude pursuing police vehicles;
- (viii) A conviction of RCW 46.61.500, relating to reckless driving;

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- 1 (ix) A conviction of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, relating to a 2 person under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs;
  - (x) A conviction of RCW 46.61.520, relating to vehicular homicide;
- 4 (xi) A conviction of RCW 46.61.522, relating to vehicular assault;
- 5 (xii) A conviction of RCW 46.61.527(4), relating to reckless 6 endangerment of roadway workers;
- 7 (xiii) A conviction of RCW 46.61.530, relating to racing of 8 vehicles on highways;
- 9 ((<del>xiii)</del>)) <u>(xiv)</u> A conviction of RCW 46.61.685, relating to leaving 10 children in an unattended vehicle with motor running;
- 11  $((\frac{xiv}{xiv}))$  (xv) A conviction of RCW 46.64.048, relating to 12 attempting, aiding, abetting, coercing, and committing crimes; ((or
- (xv)) (xvi) An administrative action taken by the department under the chapter 46.20 RCW; or
- 15 (xvii) A conviction of a local law, ordinance, regulation, or 16 resolution of a political subdivision of this state, the federal 17 government, or any other state, of an offense substantially similar to 18 a violation included in this subsection.
- 19 (c) A person who violates this section when his or her driver's license or driving privilege is, at the time of the violation, 20 suspended or revoked solely because (i) the person must furnish proof 21 of satisfactory progress in a required alcoholism or drug treatment 22 program, (ii) the person must furnish proof of financial responsibility 23 24 for the future as provided by chapter 46.29 RCW, (iii) the person has 25 failed to comply with the provisions of chapter 46.29 RCW relating to 26 uninsured accidents, (iv) the person has failed to respond to a notice of traffic infraction, failed to appear at a requested hearing, 27 violated a written promise to appear in court, or has failed to comply 28 29 with the terms of a notice of traffic infraction or citation, as 30 provided in RCW 46.20.289, (v) the person has committed an offense in another state that, if committed in this state, would not be grounds 31 for the suspension or revocation of the person's driver's license, or 32 (vi) the person has been suspended or revoked by reason of one or more 33 34 of the items listed in (b) of this subsection, but was eligible to reinstate his or her driver's license or driving privilege at the time 35 of the violation, or any combination of (i) through (vi), is guilty of 36 37 driving while license suspended or revoked in the third degree, a 38 misdemeanor.

- 1 (2) Upon receiving a record of conviction of any person or upon 2 receiving an order by any juvenile court or any duly authorized court 3 officer of the conviction of any juvenile under this section, the 4 department shall:
- 5 (a) For a conviction of driving while suspended or revoked in the 6 first degree, as provided by subsection (1)(a) of this section, extend 7 the period of administrative revocation imposed under chapter 46.65 RCW 8 for an additional period of one year from and after the date the person 9 would otherwise have been entitled to apply for a new license or have 10 his or her driving privilege restored; or
- (b) For a conviction of driving while suspended or revoked in the second degree, as provided by subsection (1)(b) of this section, not issue a new license or restore the driving privilege for an additional period of one year from and after the date the person would otherwise have been entitled to apply for a new license or have his or her driving privilege restored; or
- (c) Not extend the period of suspension or revocation if the conviction was under subsection (1)(c) of this section. If the conviction was under subsection (1) (a) or (b) of this section and the court recommends against the extension and the convicted person has obtained a valid driver's license, the period of suspension or revocation shall not be extended.
- 23 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.20.391 and 1998 c 209 s 4 and 1998 c 207 s 9 are 24 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

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(1) Any person licensed under this chapter who is convicted of an offense relating to motor vehicles for which suspension or revocation of the driver's license is mandatory, other than vehicular homicide or vehicular assault, or who has had his or her license suspended under RCW 46.20.3101 (2)(a) or (3)(a), may submit to the department an application for an occupational driver's license. The department, upon receipt of the prescribed fee and upon determining that the petitioner is engaged in an occupation or trade that makes it essential that the petitioner operate a motor vehicle, may issue an occupational driver's license and may set definite restrictions as provided in RCW 46.20.394. No person may petition for, and the department shall not issue, an occupational driver's license that is effective during the first thirty days of any suspension or revocation imposed either for a violation of

RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504 or ((<del>pursuant to</del>)) <u>under</u> RCW 46.20.3101

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- 1 (2)(a) or (3)(a), or for both a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504
- 2 and under RCW 46.20.3101 (2)(a) or (3)(a) where the action arises from
- 3 the same incident. A person aggrieved by the decision of the
- 4 department on the application for an occupational driver's license may
- 5 request a hearing as provided by rule of the department.
- 6 (2) An applicant for an occupational driver's license is eligible 7 to receive such license only if:
- 8 (a) Within one year immediately preceding the date of the offense
- 9 that gave rise to the present conviction, the applicant has not
- 10 committed any offense relating to motor vehicles for which suspension
- 11 or revocation of a driver's license is mandatory; and
- 12 (b) Within seven years immediately preceding the date of the
- 13 offense that gave rise to the present conviction or incident, the
- 14 applicant has not committed any of the following offenses: (i) Driving
- 15 or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the
- 16 influence of intoxicating liquor; (ii) vehicular homicide under RCW
- 17 46.61.520; or (iii) vehicular assault under RCW 46.61.522; and
- 18 (c) The applicant is engaged in an occupation or trade that makes
- 19 it essential that he or she operate a motor vehicle; and
- 20 (d) The applicant files satisfactory proof of financial
- 21 responsibility ((pursuant to)) under chapter 46.29 RCW.
- 22 (3) The director shall cancel an occupational driver's license upon
- 23 receipt of notice that the holder thereof has been convicted of
- 24 operating a motor vehicle in violation of its restrictions, or of
- 25 ((an)) a separate offense that ((pursuant to)) under chapter 46.20 RCW
- 26 would warrant suspension or revocation of a regular driver's license.
- 27 The cancellation is effective as of the date of the conviction, and
- 28 continues with the same force and effect as any suspension or
- 29 revocation under this title.
- 30 **Sec. 5.** RCW 46.52.100 and 1998 c 204 s 1 and 1998 c 165 s 9 are
- 31 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 32 Every district court, municipal court, and clerk of superior court
- 33 shall keep or cause to be kept a record of every traffic complaint,
- 34 traffic citation, notice of infraction, or other legal form of traffic
- 35 charge deposited with or presented to the court or a traffic violations
- 36 bureau, and shall keep a record of every official action by the court
- 37 or its traffic violations bureau in reference thereto, including but
- 38 not limited to a record of every conviction, forfeiture of bail,

judgment of acquittal, finding that a traffic infraction has been committed, dismissal of a notice of infraction, and the amount of fine, forfeiture, or penalty resulting from every traffic complaint, citation, or notice of infraction deposited with or presented to the district court, municipal court, superior court, or traffic violations bureau. In the case of a record of a conviction for a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, and notwithstanding any other provision of law,

the record shall be maintained by the court permanently.

The Monday following the conviction, forfeiture of bail, or finding that a traffic infraction was committed for violation of any provisions of this chapter or other law regulating the operating of vehicles on highways, every magistrate of the court or clerk of the court of record in which such conviction was had, bail was forfeited, or the finding made shall prepare and immediately forward to the director of licensing at Olympia an abstract of the record of the court covering the case((¬which abstract must be certified by the person so required to prepare the same to be true and correct)). Report need not be made of any finding involving the illegal parking or standing of a vehicle.

The abstract must be made upon a form or forms furnished by the director and shall include the name and address of the party charged, the number, if any, of the party's driver's or chauffeur's license, the registration number of the vehicle involved if required by the director, the nature of the offense, the date of hearing, the plea, the judgment, whether the offense was an alcohol-related offense as defined in RCW 46.01.260(2), whether the incident that gave rise to the offense charged resulted in any fatality, whether bail forfeited, whether the determination that a traffic infraction was committed was contested, and the amount of the fine, forfeiture, or penalty as the case may be.

Every court of record shall also forward a like report to the

The failure of any such judicial officer to comply with any of the requirements of this section shall constitute misconduct in office and shall be grounds for removal therefrom.

commission of which a vehicle was used.

director upon the conviction of any person of a felony in the

The director shall keep all abstracts received hereunder at the director's office in Olympia and the same shall be open to public inspection during reasonable business hours.

Wenue in all district courts shall be before one of the two nearest district judges in incorporated cities and towns nearest to the point

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- the violation allegedly occurred: PROVIDED, That in counties with 1
- populations of one hundred twenty-five thousand or more such cases may 2
- be tried in the county seat at the request of the defendant. 3
- 4 It shall be the duty of the officer, prosecuting attorney, or city
- 5 attorney signing the charge or information in any case involving a
- charge of driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any 6
- 7 drug immediately to make request to the director for an abstract of
- 8 convictions and forfeitures which the director shall furnish.
- 9 Sec. 6. RCW 46.61.5055 and 1998 c 215 s 1, 1998 c 214 s 1, 1998 c
- 211 s 1, 1998 c 210 s 4, 1998 c 207 s 1, and 1998 c 206 s 1 are each 10
- reenacted and amended to read as follows: 11
- (1) A person who is convicted of a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 12
- 13 46.61.504 and who has no prior offense within seven years shall be
- 14 punished as follows:
- 15 (a) In the case of a person whose alcohol concentration was less
- 16 than 0.15, or for whom for reasons other than the person's refusal to
- take a test offered pursuant to RCW 46.20.308 there is no test result 17
- 18 indicating the person's alcohol concentration:
- 19 (i) By imprisonment for not less than one day nor more than one
- year. Twenty-four consecutive hours of the imprisonment may not be 20
- suspended or deferred unless the court finds that the imposition of 21
- this mandatory minimum sentence would impose a substantial risk to the 22
- 23 offender's physical or mental well-being. Whenever the mandatory
- 24 minimum sentence is suspended or deferred, the court shall state in
- 25 writing the reason for granting the suspension or deferral and the
- facts upon which the suspension or deferral is based. In lieu of the 26
- mandatory minimum term of imprisonment required under this subsection 27
- (1)(a)(i), the court may order not less than fifteen days of electronic
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- 29 home monitoring. The offender shall pay the cost of electronic home
- monitoring. The county or municipality in which the penalty is being 30
- imposed shall determine the cost. The court may also require the 31
- offender's electronic home monitoring device to include an alcohol 32
- 33 detection breathalyzer, and the court may restrict the amount of
- 34 alcohol the offender may consume during the time the offender is on
- electronic home monitoring; and 35
- 36 (ii) By a fine of not less than three hundred fifty dollars nor
- 37 more than five thousand dollars. Three hundred fifty dollars of the

1 fine may not be suspended or deferred unless the court finds the 2 offender to be indigent; (( $\frac{and}{and}$ )

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(iii) By suspension of the offender's license or permit to drive, or suspension of any nonresident privilege to drive, for a period of ninety days. The period of license, permit, or privilege suspension may not be suspended. The court shall notify the department of licensing of the conviction, and upon receiving notification of the conviction the department shall suspend the offender's license, permit, or privilege;)) or

- (b) In the case of a person whose alcohol concentration was at least 0.15, or for whom by reason of the person's refusal to take a test offered pursuant to RCW 46.20.308 there is no test result indicating the person's alcohol concentration:
- 14 (i) By imprisonment for not less than two days nor more than one 15 year. Two consecutive days of the imprisonment may not be suspended or deferred unless the court finds that the imposition of this mandatory 16 minimum sentence would impose a substantial risk to the offender's 17 physical or mental well-being. Whenever the mandatory minimum sentence 18 19 is suspended or deferred, the court shall state in writing the reason for granting the suspension or deferral and the facts upon which the 20 suspension or deferral is based. In lieu of the mandatory minimum term 21 of imprisonment required under this subsection (1)(b)(i), the court may 22 order not less than thirty days of electronic home monitoring. 23 24 offender shall pay the cost of electronic home monitoring. The county 25 or municipality in which the penalty is being imposed shall determine 26 the cost. The court may also require the offender's electronic home monitoring device to include an alcohol detection breathalyzer, and the 27 court may restrict the amount of alcohol the offender may consume 28 29 during the time the offender is on electronic home monitoring; and
- (ii) By a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than five thousand dollars. Five hundred dollars of the fine may not be suspended or deferred unless the court finds the offender to be indigent; and
  - (iii) ((By revocation of the offender's license or permit to drive, or suspension of any nonresident privilege to drive, for a period of one year. The period of license, permit, or privilege suspension may not be suspended. The court shall notify the department of licensing of the conviction, and upon receiving notification of the conviction

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- 1 the department shall suspend the offender's license, permit, or
  2 privilege; and
- (iv)) By a court-ordered restriction under RCW 46.20.720.
- 4 (2) A person who is convicted of a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 5 46.61.504 and who has one prior offense within seven years shall be 6 punished as follows:
  - (a) In the case of a person whose alcohol concentration was less than 0.15, or for whom for reasons other than the person's refusal to take a test offered pursuant to RCW 46.20.308 there is no test result indicating the person's alcohol concentration:
- (i) By imprisonment for not less than thirty days nor more than one 11 year and sixty days of electronic home monitoring. The offender shall 12 pay for the cost of the electronic monitoring. 13 The county or municipality where the penalty is being imposed shall determine the 14 15 The court may also require the offender's electronic home 16 monitoring device include an alcohol detection breathalyzer, and may 17 restrict the amount of alcohol the offender may consume during the time the offender is on electronic home monitoring. 18 Thirty days of 19 imprisonment and sixty days of electronic home monitoring may not be 20 suspended or deferred unless the court finds that the imposition of this mandatory minimum sentence would impose a substantial risk to the 21 offender's physical or mental well-being. 22 Whenever the mandatory minimum sentence is suspended or deferred, the court shall state in 23 24 writing the reason for granting the suspension or deferral and the 25 facts upon which the suspension or deferral is based; and
  - (ii) By a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than five thousand dollars. Five hundred dollars of the fine may not be suspended or deferred unless the court finds the offender to be indigent; and
- (iii) ((By revocation of the offender's license or permit to drive, or suspension of any nonresident privilege to drive, for a period of two years. The period of license, permit, or privilege revocation may not be suspended. The court shall notify the department of licensing of the conviction, and upon receiving notification of the conviction the department shall revoke the offender's license, permit, or privilege; and
- 37 (iv))) By a court-ordered restriction under RCW 46.20.720; or
- 38 (b) In the case of a person whose alcohol concentration was at 39 least 0.15, or for whom by reason of the person's refusal to take a

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test offered pursuant to RCW 46.20.308 there is no test result indicating the person's alcohol concentration:

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- (i) By imprisonment for not less than forty-five days nor more than one year and ninety days of electronic home monitoring. The offender shall pay for the cost of the electronic monitoring. The county or municipality where the penalty is being imposed shall determine the cost. The court may also require the offender's electronic home monitoring device include an alcohol detection breathalyzer, and may restrict the amount of alcohol the offender may consume during the time the offender is on electronic home monitoring. Forty-five days of imprisonment and ninety days of electronic home monitoring may not be suspended or deferred unless the court finds that the imposition of this mandatory minimum sentence would impose a substantial risk to the offender's physical or mental well-being. Whenever the mandatory minimum sentence is suspended or deferred, the court shall state in writing the reason for granting the suspension or deferral and the facts upon which the suspension or deferral is based; and
- (ii) By a fine of not less than seven hundred fifty dollars nor more than five thousand dollars. Seven hundred fifty dollars of the fine may not be suspended or deferred unless the court finds the offender to be indigent; and
  - (iii) ((By revocation of the offender's license or permit to drive, or suspension of any nonresident privilege to drive, for a period of nine hundred days. The period of license, permit, or privilege revocation may not be suspended. The court shall notify the department of licensing of the conviction, and upon receiving notification of the conviction the department shall revoke the offender's license, permit, or privilege; and
    - (iv)) By a court-ordered restriction under RCW 46.20.720.
- 30 (3) A person who is convicted of a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 31 46.61.504 and who has two or more prior offenses within seven years 32 shall be punished as follows:
- 33 (a) In the case of a person whose alcohol concentration was less 34 than 0.15, or for whom for reasons other than the person's refusal to 35 take a test offered pursuant to RCW 46.20.308 there is no test result 36 indicating the person's alcohol concentration:
- (i) By imprisonment for not less than ninety days nor more than one 38 year and one hundred twenty days of electronic home monitoring. The 39 offender shall pay for the cost of the electronic monitoring. The

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- 1 county or municipality where the penalty is being imposed shall
- 2 determine the cost. The court may also require the offender's
- 3 electronic home monitoring device include an alcohol detection
- 4 breathalyzer, and may restrict the amount of alcohol the offender may
- 5 consume during the time the offender is on electronic home monitoring.
- 6 Ninety days of imprisonment and one hundred twenty days of electronic
- 7 home monitoring may not be suspended or deferred unless the court finds
- 8 that the imposition of this mandatory minimum sentence would impose a
- 9 substantial risk to the offender's physical or mental well-being.
- 10 Whenever the mandatory minimum sentence is suspended or deferred, the
- 11 court shall state in writing the reason for granting the suspension or
- 12 deferral and the facts upon which the suspension or deferral is based;
- 13 and
- 14 (ii) By a fine of not less than one thousand dollars nor more than
- 15 five thousand dollars. One thousand dollars of the fine may not be
- 16 suspended or deferred unless the court finds the offender to be
- 17 indigent; and
- (iii) ((By revocation of the offender's license or permit to drive,
- 19 or suspension of any nonresident privilege to drive, for a period of
- 20 three years. The period of license, permit, or privilege revocation
- 21 may not be suspended. The court shall notify the department of
- 22 licensing of the conviction, and upon receiving notification of the
- 23 conviction the department shall revoke the offender's license, permit,
- 24 or privilege; and
- (iv)) By a court-ordered restriction under RCW 46.20.720; or
- 26 (b) In the case of a person whose alcohol concentration was at
- 27 least 0.15, or for whom by reason of the person's refusal to take a
- 28 test offered pursuant to RCW 46.20.308 there is no test result
- 29 indicating the person's alcohol concentration:
- 30 (i) By imprisonment for not less than one hundred twenty days nor
- 31 more than one year and one hundred fifty days of electronic home
- 32 monitoring. The offender shall pay for the cost of the electronic
- 33 monitoring. The county or municipality where the penalty is being
- 34 imposed shall determine the cost. The court may also require the
- 35 offender's electronic home monitoring device include an alcohol
- 36 detection breathalyzer, and may restrict the amount of alcohol the
- 37 offender may consume during the time the offender is on electronic home
- 38 monitoring. One hundred twenty days of imprisonment and one hundred
- 39 fifty days of electronic home monitoring may not be suspended or

- deferred unless the court finds that the imposition of this mandatory minimum sentence would impose a substantial risk to the offender's physical or mental well-being. Whenever the mandatory minimum sentence is suspended or deferred, the court shall state in writing the reason for granting the suspension or deferral and the facts upon which the suspension or deferral is based; and
- 7 (ii) By a fine of not less than one thousand five hundred dollars 8 nor more than five thousand dollars. One thousand five hundred dollars 9 of the fine may not be suspended or deferred unless the court finds the 10 offender to be indigent; and
  - (iii) ((By revocation of the offender's license or permit to drive, or suspension of any nonresident privilege to drive, for a period of four years. The period of license, permit, or privilege revocation may not be suspended. The court shall notify the department of licensing of the conviction, and upon receiving notification of the conviction the department shall revoke the offender's license, permit, or privilege; and
- (iv)) By a court-ordered restriction under RCW 46.20.720.

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- 19 (4) In exercising its discretion in setting penalties within the 20 limits allowed by this section, the court shall particularly consider 21 the following:
- 22 (a) Whether the person's driving at the time of the offense was 23 responsible for injury or damage to another or another's property; and
- 24 (b) Whether the person was driving or in physical control of a 25 vehicle with one or more passengers at the time of the offense.
- 26 (5) An offender punishable under this section is subject to the 27 alcohol assessment and treatment provisions of RCW 46.61.5056.
- 28 (6) The license, permit, or nonresident privilege of a person 29 convicted of driving or being in physical control of a motor vehicle 30 while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs must:
- 31 (a) If the person's alcohol concentration was less than 0.15, or if 32 for reasons other than the person's refusal to take a test offered 33 under RCW 46.20.308 there is no test result indicating the person's 34 alcohol concentration:
- (i) Where there has been no prior offense within seven years, be suspended or denied by the department for ninety days;
- (ii) Where there has been one prior offense within seven years, be revoked or denied by the department for two years; or

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- 1 (iii) Where there have been two or more prior offenses within seven 2 years, be revoked or denied by the department for three years;
- 3 (b) If the person's alcohol concentration was at least 0.15, or if 4 by reason of the person's refusal to take a test offered under RCW 5 46.20.308 there is no test result indicating the person's alcohol 6 concentration:
- 7 <u>(i) Where there has been no prior offense within seven years, be</u> 8 <u>revoked or denied by the department for one year;</u>
- 9 <u>(ii) Where there has been one prior offense within seven years, be</u>
  10 revoked or denied by the department for nine hundred days; or
- 11 <u>(iii) Where there have been two or more prior offenses within seven</u>
  12 years, be revoked or denied by the department for four years.
- For purposes of this subsection, the department shall refer to the driver's record maintained under RCW 46.52.120 when determining the existence of prior offenses.
- 16 <u>(7)</u> After expiration of any period of suspension ((<del>or</del>)), 17 revocation, or denial of the offender's license, permit, or privilege 18 to drive required by this section, the department shall place the 19 offender's driving privilege in probationary status pursuant to RCW 20 46.20.355.
- (((7))) (8)(a) In addition to any nonsuspendable and nondeferrable 21 jail sentence required by this section, whenever the court imposes less 22 than one year in jail, the court shall also suspend but shall not defer 23 24 a period of confinement for a period not exceeding five years. 25 court shall impose conditions of probation that include: 26 driving a motor vehicle within this state without a valid license to drive and proof of financial responsibility for the future; (ii) not 27 driving a motor vehicle within this state while having an alcohol 28 29 concentration of 0.08 or more within two hours after driving; and (iii) 30 not refusing to submit to a test of his or her breath or blood to 31 determine alcohol concentration upon request of a law enforcement officer who has reasonable grounds to believe the person was driving or 32 was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle within this state 33 34 while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. The court may impose 35 conditions of probation that include nonrepetition, installation of an ignition interlock or other biological or technical device on the 36 37 probationer's motor vehicle, alcohol or drug treatment, supervised probation, or other conditions that may be appropriate. The sentence 38

- 1 may be imposed in whole or in part upon violation of a condition of 2 probation during the suspension period.
- 3 (b) For each violation of mandatory conditions of probation under 4 (a)(i) and (ii) or (a)(i) and (iii) of this subsection, the court shall order the convicted person to be confined for thirty days, which shall not be suspended or deferred.
- 7 (c) For each incident involving a violation of a mandatory 8 condition of probation imposed under this subsection, the license, 9 permit, or privilege to drive of the person shall be suspended by the court for thirty days or, if such license, permit, or privilege to 10 drive already is suspended, revoked, or denied at the time the finding 11 of probation violation is made, the suspension, revocation, or denial 12 13 then in effect shall be extended by thirty days. The court shall notify the department of any suspension, revocation, or denial or any 14 15 extension of a suspension, revocation, or denial imposed under this 16 subsection.
- 17  $((\frac{8}{9}))$  (9) For purposes of this section:
- 18 (a) "Electronic home monitoring" shall not be considered 19 confinement as defined in RCW 9.94A.030;
- 20 (b) A "prior offense" means any of the following:
- 21 (i) A conviction for a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or an equivalent 22 local ordinance;
- (ii) A conviction for a violation of RCW 46.61.504 or an equivalent local ordinance;
- 25 (iii) A conviction for a violation of RCW 46.61.520 committed while 26 under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug;
- 27 (iv) A conviction for a violation of RCW 46.61.522 committed while 28 under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug;
- (v) A conviction for a violation of RCW 46.61.5249, 46.61.500, or 9A.36.050 or an equivalent local ordinance, if the conviction is the result of a charge that was originally filed as a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, or an equivalent local ordinance, or of RCW
- 33 46.61.520 or 46.61.522;
- (vi) An out-of-state conviction for a violation that would have been a violation of (b)(i), (ii), (iii), (iv), or (v) of this subsection if committed in this state;
- (vii) A deferred prosecution under chapter 10.05 RCW granted in a prosecution for a violation of RCW 46.61.502, 46.61.504, or an equivalent local ordinance; or

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- (viii) A deferred prosecution under chapter 10.05 RCW granted in a prosecution for a violation of RCW 46.61.5249, or an equivalent local ordinance, if the charge under which the deferred prosecution was granted was originally filed as a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, or an equivalent local ordinance, or of RCW 46.61.520 or 46.61.522; and
- 7 (c) "Within seven years" means that the arrest for a prior offense 8 occurred within seven years of the arrest for the current offense.
- 9 **Sec. 7.** RCW 46.65.060 and 1985 c 101 s 2 are each amended to read 10 as follows:
- If the department finds that such person is not an habitual 11 12 offender under this chapter, the proceeding shall be dismissed, but if the department finds that such person is an habitual offender, the 13 14 department shall revoke the operator's license for a period of ((five)) 15 seven years: PROVIDED, That the department may stay the date of the 16 revocation if it finds that the traffic offenses upon which it is based were caused by or are the result of alcoholism and/or drug addiction as 17 18 evaluated by a program approved by the department of social and health services, and that since his or her last offense he or she has 19 undertaken and followed a course of treatment for alcoholism and/or 20 drug treatment in a program approved by the department of social and 21 22 health services; such stay shall be subject to terms and conditions as 23 are deemed reasonable by the department. Said stay shall continue as 24 long as there is no further conviction for any of the offenses listed in RCW 46.65.020(1). Upon a subsequent conviction for any offense 25 listed in RCW 46.65.020(1) or violation of any of the terms or 26 conditions of the original stay order, the stay shall be removed and 27 the department shall revoke the operator's license for a period of 28 29 ((five)) seven years.
- 30 **Sec. 8.** RCW 46.20.500 and 1997 c 328 s 3 are each amended to read 31 as follows:
- No person may drive a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle unless such person has a valid driver's license specially endorsed by the director to enable the holder to drive such vehicles((, nor may a person drive a motorcycle of a larger engine displacement than that authorized by such special endorsement or by an instruction permit for such category)). However, a person sixteen years of age or older,

- 1 holding a valid driver's license of any class issued by the state of
- 2 the person's residence, may operate a moped without taking any special
- 3 examination for the operation of a moped. No driver's license is
- 4 required for operation of an electric-assisted bicycle if the operator
- 5 is at least sixteen years of age. Persons under sixteen years of age
- 6 may not operate an electric-assisted bicycle.
- 7 **Sec. 9.** RCW 46.20.505 and 1993 c 115 s 1 are each amended to read 8 as follows:
- 9 Every person applying for a special endorsement ((or a new category
- 10 of endorsement)) of a driver's license authorizing such person to drive
- 11 a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle shall pay an examination fee of
- 12 two dollars which is not refundable. In addition, the endorsement fee
- 13 for the initial ((<del>or new category</del>)) motorcycle endorsement shall be six
- 14 dollars and the subsequent renewal endorsement fee shall be fourteen
- 15 dollars. The initial ((or new category)) and renewal endorsement fees
- 16 shall be deposited in the motorcycle safety education account of the
- 17 highway safety fund.
- 18 **Sec. 10.** RCW 46.20.510 and 1999 c 6 s 25 are each amended to read
- 19 as follows:
- 20 (1) ((Categories. There are three categories for the special
- 21 motorcycle endorsement of a driver's license. Category one is for
- 22 motorcycles or motor driven cycles having an engine displacement of one
- 23 hundred fifty cubic centimeters or less. Category two is for
- 24 motorcycles having an engine displacement of five hundred cubic
- 25 centimeters or less. Category three includes categories one and two,
- 26 and is for motorcycles having an engine displacement of five hundred
- 27 one cubic centimeters or more.
- (2) (2)) Motorcycle instruction permit. A person holding a valid
- 29 driver's license who wishes to learn to ride a motorcycle ((or obtain
- 30 an endorsement of a larger category)) may apply for a motorcycle
- 31 instruction permit. The department may issue a motorcycle instruction
- 32 permit after the applicant has successfully passed all parts of the
- 33 motorcycle examination other than the driving test. The director shall
- 34 collect a two dollar and fifty cent fee for the motorcycle instruction
- 35 permit or renewal, and deposit the fee in the motorcycle safety
- 36 education account of the highway safety fund.

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- 1 (((3))) (2) Effect of motorcycle instruction permit. A person
- 2 holding a motorcycle instruction permit may drive a motorcycle upon the
- 3 public highways if the person has immediate possession of the permit
- 4 and a valid driver's license ((with current endorsement, if any)). An
- 5 individual with a motorcyclist's instruction permit may not carry
- 6 passengers (( )) and may not operate a motorcycle during the hours of
- 7 darkness ((or on a fully-controlled, limited-access facility, and shall
- 8 be under the direct visual supervision of a person with a motorcycle
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- 9 endorsement of the appropriate category and at least five years' riding
- 10 experience)).
- 11 (((4))) (3) Term of motorcycle instruction permit. A motorcycle
- 12 instruction permit is valid for ninety days from the date of issue.
- 13 (a) The department may issue one additional ninety-day permit.
- 14 (b) The department may issue a third motorcycle instruction permit
- 15 if it finds after an investigation that the permittee is diligently
- 16 seeking to improve driving proficiency.
- 17 **Sec. 11.** RCW 46.20.515 and 1982 c 77 s 4 are each amended to read
- 18 as follows:
- 19 The motorcycle endorsement examination ((for each displacement
- 20 category shall)) <u>must</u> emphasize maneuvers necessary for on-street
- 21 operation, including emergency braking and turning as may be required
- 22 to avoid an impending collision.
- 23 **Sec. 12.** RCW 46.20.041 and 1999 c 6 s 9 are each amended to read
- 24 as follows:
- 25 (1) If the department has reason to believe that a person is
- 26 suffering from a physical or mental disability or disease that may
- 27 affect that person's ability to drive a motor vehicle, the department
- 28 must evaluate whether the person is able to safely drive a motor
- 29 vehicle. As part of the evaluation:
- 30 (a) The department shall permit the person to demonstrate
- 31 personally that notwithstanding the disability or disease he or she is
- 32 able to safely drive a motor vehicle.
- 33 (b) The department may require the person to obtain a statement
- 34 signed by a licensed physician or other proper authority designated by
- 35 the department certifying the person's condition.
- 36 (i) The ((certificate)) statement is for the confidential use of
- 37 the director and the chief of the Washington state patrol and for other

- 1 public officials designated by law. It is exempt from public 2 inspection and copying notwithstanding chapter 42.17 RCW.
- 3 (ii) The ((certificate)) statement may not be offered as evidence 4 in any court except when appeal is taken from the order of the director 5 canceling or withholding a person's driving privilege. However, the department may make the ((certificate)) statement available to the 6 7 director of the department of retirement systems for use in determining 8 eligibility for or continuance of disability benefits and it may be 9 offered and admitted as evidence in any administrative proceeding or 10 court action concerning the disability benefits.
- 11 (2) On the basis of the evaluation the department may:

- 12 (a) Issue or renew a driver's license to the person without 13 restrictions;
  - (b) Cancel or withhold the driving privilege from the person; or
- 15 (c) Issue a restricted driver's license to the person. The 16 restrictions must be suitable to the licensee's driving ability. The 17 restrictions may include:
- 18 (i) Special mechanical control devices on the motor vehicle 19 operated by the licensee;
- 20 (ii) Limitations on the type of motor vehicle that the licensee may 21 operate; or
- (iii) Other restrictions determined by the department to be appropriate to assure the licensee's safe operation of a motor vehicle.
- 24 (3) The department may either issue a special restricted license or 25 may set forth the restrictions upon the usual license form.
- 26 (4) The department may suspend or revoke a restricted license upon 27 receiving satisfactory evidence of any violation of the restrictions.
- 28 In that event the licensee is entitled to a driver improvement 29 interview and a hearing as provided by RCW 46.20.322 or 46.20.328.
- 30 (5) Operating a motor vehicle in violation of the restrictions 31 imposed in a restricted license is a traffic infraction.
- 32 **Sec. 13.** RCW 46.20.055 and 1999 c 6 s 11 are each amended to read 33 as follows:
- (1) Driver's instruction permit. (((a) A person who is at least fifteen and one half years of age may apply to the department for a driver's instruction permit.)) The department may issue a driver's instruction permit ((after the)) with a photograph to an applicant who has successfully passed all parts of the examination other than the

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- 1 driving test, provided the information required by RCW 46.20.091,
- 2 ((and)) paid a five-dollar fee $((\cdot))$ , and meets the following
- 3 <u>requirements:</u>

- (a) Is at least fifteen and one-half years of age; or
- 5 (b) ((The department may issue a driver's instruction permit to an 6 applicant who)) Is at least fifteen years of age ((if he or she)) and:
- 7 (i) Has submitted a proper application; and
- 8 (ii) Is enrolled in a traffic safety education program approved and 9 accredited by the superintendent of public instruction that includes 10 practice driving.
- 11 (2) Nonphoto permit fee. An applicant who meets the requirements 12 of subsection (1) of this section other than payment of the five-dollar
- 13 fee may obtain a driver's instruction permit without a photograph by
- 14 paying a fee of four dollars.
- 15 (3) Waiver of written examination for instruction permit. The
- 16 department may waive the written examination, if, at the time of
- 17 application, an applicant is enrolled in:
- 18 (a) A traffic safety education course as defined by RCW
- 19 28A.220.020(2); or
- 20 (b) A course of instruction offered by a licensed driver training
- 21 school as defined by RCW 46.82.280(1).
- The department may require proof of registration in such a course
- 23 as it deems necessary.
- 24  $((\frac{3}{3}))$  (4) **Effect of instruction permit.** A person holding a
- 25 driver's instruction permit may drive a motor vehicle, other than a
- 26 motorcycle, upon the public highways if:
- 27 (a) The person has immediate possession of the permit; and
- 28 (b) ((The seat beside the driver is occupied by)) An approved
- 29 instructor, or a licensed driver with at least five years of driving
- 30 experience, occupies the seat beside the driver.
- 31 (((4))) (5) **Term of instruction permit.** A driver's instruction
- 32 permit is valid for one year from the date of issue.
- 33 (a) The department may issue one additional one-year permit.
- 34 (b) The department may issue a third driver's permit if it finds
- 35 after an investigation that the permittee is diligently seeking to
- 36 improve driving proficiency.
- 37 **Sec. 14.** RCW 46.20.100 and 1999 c 6 s 16 are each amended to read
- 38 as follows:

- 1 (1) **Application**. The application of a person under the age of eighteen years for a driver's license or a motorcycle endorsement must 3 be signed by a parent or guardian with custody of the minor. If the 4 ((minor)) person under the age of eighteen has no father, mother, or guardian, then the application must be signed by the minor's employer.
  - (2) **Traffic safety education requirement**. For a person under the age of eighteen years to obtain a driver's license he or she must meet the traffic safety education requirements of this subsection.
- 9 (a) To meet the traffic safety education requirement for a driver's
  10 license the applicant must satisfactorily complete a traffic safety
  11 education course as defined in RCW 28A.220.020. The course must meet
  12 the standards established by the office of the state superintendent of
  13 public instruction. The traffic safety education course may be
  14 provided by:
  - (i) A recognized secondary school; or

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- 16 (ii) A commercial driving enterprise that is annually approved by 17 the office of the superintendent of public instruction.
- 18 (b) To meet the traffic safety education requirement for a 19 motorcycle endorsement, the applicant must successfully complete a 20 motorcycle safety education course that meets the standards established 21 by the department of licensing.
- (c) The department may waive the traffic safety education requirement for a driver's license if the applicant demonstrates to the department's satisfaction that:
- 25 (i) He or she was unable to take or complete a traffic safety 26 education course;
- 27 (ii) A need exists for the applicant to operate a motor vehicle; 28 and
- (iii) He or she has the ability to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner as not to jeopardize the safety of persons or property(( $\tau$  31 under rules adopted by)).
- The department <u>may adopt rules to implement this subsection (2)(c)</u> in concert with the supervisor of the traffic safety education section of the office of the superintendent of public instruction.
- 35 (d) The department may waive the traffic safety education 36 requirement if the applicant was licensed to drive a motor vehicle or 37 motorcycle outside this state and provides proof that he or she has had 38 education equivalent to that required under this subsection.

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- 1 **Sec. 15.** RCW 46.20.117 and 1999 c 6 s 18 are each amended to read 2 as follows:
- 3 (1) **Issuance**. The department shall issue ((a resident of the state 4 of Washington)) an identicard, containing a picture, if ((he or she)) 5 the applicant:
  - (a) Does not hold a valid Washington driver's license;
- 7 (b) Proves his or her identity as required by RCW 46.20.035; and
- 8 (c) Pays the required fee. The fee is four dollars unless an applicant is a recipient of continuing public assistance grants under 10 Title 74 RCW, who is referred in writing by the secretary of social and 11 health services. For those persons the fee must be the actual cost of production of the identicard.
- 13 (2) **Design and term**. The identicard must:
- 14 (a) Be distinctly designed so that it will not be confused with the 15 official driver's license; and
- 16 (b) Expire on the fifth anniversary of the applicant's birthdate 17 after issuance.
- 18 (3) **Cancellation**. The department may cancel an identicard if the 19 holder of the identicard used the card or allowed others to use the 20 card in violation of RCW 46.20.336 (as recodified by chapter 6, Laws of 1999).

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