
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5295

State of Washington

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By Senate Committee on Highways & Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Horn, Haugen, Kline and Schmidt)

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1 AN ACT Relating to a fee on studded tires; amending RCW 46.37.4216;
2 creating a new section; providing an effective date; and declaring an
3 emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that substantial
6 pavement damage is caused by studded tire use. Therefore, to offset
7 pavement maintenance and preservation costs, a surcharge is established
8 to recognize and to recover the cost of studded tire damage to the
9 roadways.

10 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.37.4216 and 1999 c 219 s 3 are each amended to read
11 as follows:

12 (1) Beginning July 1, 2001, a person may not sell a studded tire or
13 sell a stud for installation in a tire unless the stud qualifies as a
14 lightweight stud under RCW 46.04.272.

15 (2)(a) Beginning July 1, 2003, a fee of fifteen dollars per tire is
16 levied on the sale of each studded tire and lightweight studded tire,
17 regardless of the wholesale or retail value of the studded tire.

1 (b) The buyer of the tire shall pay the fee to the seller, and each
2 seller shall collect from the buyer the full amount of the fee. The
3 seller shall send the amount of fees collected from the buyer by the
4 seller to the department of revenue, acting in a custodial capacity,
5 for deposit in the motor vehicle fund.

6 (c) RCW 82.32.045 applies to the fees imposed by this section. The
7 tax due dates, reporting periods, and return requirements applicable to
8 chapter 82.04 RCW apply equally to the fees imposed by this section.

9 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate
10 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
11 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
12 July 1, 2003.

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