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Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Highways & Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Eide and Kohl-Welles)

Brief Description: Regulating the sale, distribution, and installation of air bags.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Declares that a person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor if he or she knew or reasonably should have known that an air bag he or she installs or reinstalls in a vehicle for compensation, or distributes as an auto part, is a previously deployed air bag that is part of an inflatable restraint system.

Provides that a person found guilty under this act will be punished by a fine of five thousand dollars or by confinement in the county jail for one year, or both.

Provides that, whenever an air bag that is part of a previously deployed inflatable restraint system is replaced by either a new air bag that is part of an inflatable restraint system or a nondeployed salvage air bag that is part of an inflatable restraint system, the air bag must conform to the original equipment manufacturer requirements and the installer must verify that the self-diagnostic system for the inflatable restraint system indicates that the entire inflatable restraint system is operating properly.