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Sponsor(s): Senators Doumit, Kastama and Rasmussen

Brief Description: Meeting financial responsibility requirements for automobiles.

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Requires that, when the department sends a vehicle license renewal notice, it shall also provide notice of the requirement for written proof of meeting the financial responsibility requirements in order to renew the license.

Provides that the department shall not renew a vehicle license due for renewal January 1, 2005, or after unless the applicant provides written proof of meeting the financial responsibility requirements for operating a motor vehicle as provided in RCW 46.30.020.

Provides that every applicant for renewal of a vehicle license due for renewal January 1, 2005, or after shall provide current proof of financial responsibility to operate a vehicle as required in RCW 46.30.020. The department may adopt rules regarding valid proof of financial responsibility for persons renewing a vehicle license.

Declares that any person who knowingly provides false evidence of financial responsibility to the department of licensing on an application for renewal of a vehicle license, including an expired or canceled insurance policy, bond, or certificate of deposit is guilty of a misdemeanor.