## SENATE BILL 5967

State of Washington59th Legislature2005 Regular SessionBy Senators Kastama and Haugen; by request of Department of LicensingRead first time 02/17/2005.Referred to Committee on GovernmentOperations & Elections.

1 AN ACT Relating to the master licensing service; and adding a new 2 section to chapter 19.02 RCW.

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

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 19.02 RCW 5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this 7 specific purpose, the department shall administer a performance-based 8 grant program that provides funding assistance to public agencies that 9 issue business licenses and that wish to join with the department's 10 master licensing service.

11 (2) The department may determine among interested grant applicants 12 the order and the amount of the grant. In making grant determinations, 13 consideration must be given, but not limited to, the following 14 criteria: Readiness of the public agency to participate; the number of 15 renewable licenses; and the reduced regulatory impact to businesses 16 subject to licensure relative to the overall investment required by the 17 department.

18 (3) The department shall invite and encourage participation by all

Washington city and county governments having interests or
 responsibilities relating to business licensing.

3 (4) The total amount of grants provided under this section may not
4 exceed seven hundred fifty thousand dollars in any one fiscal year.

5 (5) The source of funds for this grant program is the master 6 license account.

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