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AN ACT Relating to updating and clarifying statutory provisions 1 2 within the commercial vehicle registration and fuel tax 3 administrative systems; amending RCW 46.87.010, 46.87.020, 46.87.022, 46.87.025, 46.87.040, 46.87.060, 46.87.070, 4 46.87.030, 46.87.050, 5 46.87.080, 46.87.090, 46.87.120, 46.87.140, 46.87.150, 46.87.130, 46.87.190, 46.87.200, 46.87.220, 46.87.230, 46.87.240, 46.87.250, 6 7 46.87.260, 46.87.280, 46.87.290, 46.87.294, 46.87.296, 46.87.300, 8 46.87.310, 46.87.320, 46.87.330, 46.87.335, 46.87.340, 46.87.350, 46.87.360, 46.87.370, 46.87.410, and 46.19.020; amending 2013 c 225 s 9 650 (uncodified); repealing RCW 46.87.023, 46.87.210, 46.87.270, and 10 11 46.87.380; repealing 2013 c 225 S 305; prescribing penalties; 12 providing effective dates; and declaring an emergency.

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

14 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.87.010 and 2011 c 171 s 95 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

16 This chapter applies to proportional registration and reciprocity 17 granted under the provisions of the <u>international registration plan</u> 18 (IRP). This chapter shall become effective and be implemented 19 beginning with the 1988 registration year. (1) ((Provisions and terms of the IRP prevail unless given a
 different meaning in chapter 46.04 RCW, this chapter, or in rules
 adopted under the authority of this chapter.

4 (2))) The director may adopt and enforce rules deemed necessary
 5 to implement and administer this chapter.

6 (((3))) (2) Owners having a fleet of apportionable vehicles 7 operating in two or more IRP member jurisdictions may elect to 8 proportionally register the vehicles of the fleet under the 9 provisions of the IRP and this chapter in lieu of full or temporary 10 registration as provided for in chapter 46.16A RCW.

11 (((4))) (3) If a due date or an expiration date ((established under authority of this chapter)) falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a 13 state legal holiday, such period is automatically extended through 14 the end of the next business day.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.87.020 and 2010 c 161 s 1141 are each amended to 16 read as follows:

17 <u>Provisions and terms used in this chapter have the meaning given</u> 18 to them in the <u>international registration plan</u> (IRP), in chapter 19 46.04 RCW, or as otherwise defined in this section. Definitions given 20 to terms by the IRP prevail unless given a different meaning in this 21 chapter or in rules adopted under authority of this chapter.

(1) <u>"Adequate records" are records maintained by the owner of the</u> fleet sufficient to enable the department to verify the distances reported in the owner's application for apportioned registration and to evaluate the accuracy of the owner's distance accounting system.

26 (2) "Apportionable vehicle" has the meaning given by the IRP, 27 except that it does not include vehicles with a declared gross weight 28 of twelve thousand pounds or less. ((Apportionable vehicles include 29 trucks, tractors, truck tractors, road tractors, and buses, each as 30 separate and licensable vehicles.

31 (2))) (3) "Cab card" is a certificate of registration issued for 32 a vehicle ((upon which is disclosed the jurisdictions and registered 33 gross weights in such jurisdictions for which the vehicle is 34 registered)).

35 (((3))) <u>(4)</u> "Credentials" means cab cards, apportioned plates 36 ((for Washington-based fleets))), <u>temporary operating authority</u>, and 37 validation tabs issued for proportionally registered vehicles.

38 (((4))) (5) "Declared combined gross weight" means the total 39 unladen weight of any combination of vehicles plus the <u>maximum</u> weight of the ((maximum)) load to be carried on the combination of vehicles as ((set)) <u>declared</u> by the registrant ((in the application pursuant to chapter 46.44 RCW and for which registration fees have been or are to be paid)).

(((5))) <u>(6)</u> "Declared gross weight" means the total unladen 5 6 weight of any vehicle plus the maximum weight of the ((maximum)) load 7 to be carried on the vehicle as ((set)) declared by the registrant ((in the application pursuant to chapter 46.44 RCW and for which 8 registration fees have been or are to be paid)). In the case of a 9 bus, auto stage, or a passenger-carrying for hire vehicle with a 10 11 seating capacity of more than six, the declared gross weight ((shall 12 be)) is determined by multiplying ((the average load factor of)) one hundred ((and)) fifty pounds by the number of seats in the vehicle, 13 14 including the driver's seat, and ((add)) adding this amount to the unladen weight of the vehicle. If the resultant gross weight is not 15 16 listed in RCW 46.17.355, it ((will)) must be increased to the next 17 higher gross weight ((so listed pursuant to)) authorized in chapter 18 46.44 RCW.

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(((6))) (7) "Department" means the department of licensing.

20 (((7))) <u>(8)</u> "Fleet" means one or more apportionable vehicles ((in 21 the IRP)).

(((8))) <u>(9)</u> "In-jurisdiction ((miles)) <u>distance</u>" means the total <u>distance, in</u> miles, accumulated in a jurisdiction during the ((preceding year)) <u>reporting period</u> by vehicles of the fleet while they were a part of the fleet.

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 $((\frac{9}{)}))$ (10) "IRP" means the <u>international registration plan</u>.

27 (((10))) <u>(11)</u> "Jurisdiction" means and includes a state, 28 territory or possession of the United States, the District of 29 Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, a foreign country, and a 30 state or province of a foreign country.

31 (((11))) (12) "Motor carrier" means an entity engaged in the 32 transportation of goods or persons. ((The term)) <u>"Motor carrier"</u> 33 includes a for-hire motor carrier, private motor carrier, ((contract34 motor carrier, or)) exempt motor carrier((. The term includes a)), 35 registrant licensed under this chapter, ((a)) motor vehicle lessor, 36 and ((a)) motor vehicle lessee.

37 (((12))) (13) "Owner" means a person or business ((firm)) who 38 holds the legal title to a vehicle, or if a vehicle is the subject of 39 an agreement for its conditional sale with the right of purchase upon 40 performance of the conditions stated in the agreement and with an immediate right of possession vested in the conditional vendee, or if a vehicle is subject to a lease, contract, or other legal arrangement vesting right of possession or control, for security or otherwise, or if a mortgagor of a vehicle is entitled to possession, then the owner is deemed to be the person or business ((firm)) in whom is vested right of possession or control.

7 (13) (("Preceding year" means the period of twelve consecutive 8 months immediately before July 1st of the year immediately before the 9 commencement of the registration or license year for which 10 apportioned registration is sought.)) "Person" means any individual, 11 partnership, association, public or private corporation, limited 12 liability company, or other type of legal or commercial entity, 13 including its members, managers, partners, directors, or officers.

(14) "Prorate percentage" is the factor ((that is)) applied to the total proratable fees and taxes to determine the apportionable ((or prorate)) fees required for registration in a ((particular)) jurisdiction. It is determined by dividing the in-jurisdiction ((miles)) distance for a particular jurisdiction by the total ((miles. This term is synonymous with the term "mileage percentage.")) distance.

(15) "Registrant" means a person, business ((firm)), or corporation in whose name or names a vehicle or fleet of vehicles is registered.

(16) "Registration year" means the twelve-month period during which the ((registration plates)) credentials issued by the base jurisdiction are valid ((according to the laws of the base jurisdiction)).

(17) <u>"Reporting period" means the period of twelve consecutive</u> months immediately prior to July 1st of the calendar year immediately preceding the beginning of the registration year for which apportioned registration is sought. If the fleet registration period commences in October, November, or December, the reporting period is the period of twelve consecutive months immediately preceding July 1st of the current calendar year.

35 (18) "Total ((miles)) distance" means ((the total number of miles 36 accumulated in all jurisdictions during the preceding year by all 37 vehicles of the fleet while they were a part of the fleet. Mileage)) 38 all distance operated by a fleet of apportioned vehicles. "Total 39 distance" includes the full distance traveled in all vehicle 40 movements, both interjurisdictional and intrajurisdictional, including loaded, unladen, deadhead, and bobtail distances. Distance traveled by a vehicle while under a trip lease is considered to have been traveled by the lessor's fleet. All distance, both interstate and intrastate, accumulated by vehicles of the fleet ((that did not engage in interstate operations)) is ((not)) included in the fleet ((miles)) distance.

7 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.87.022 and 1990 c 250 s 74 are each amended to 8 read as follows:

9 Owners of rental trailers and semitrailers over six thousand pounds gross vehicle weight((, and converter gears)) used solely in 10 11 pool fleets ((shall)) must fully register a portion of the pool fleet in this state. To determine the percentage of total fleet vehicles 12 that must be registered in this state, divide the gross revenue 13 received in the ((preceding year)) reporting period for the use of 14 15 the rental vehicles arising from rental transactions occurring in 16 this state by the total revenue received in the ((preceding year)) reporting period for the use of the rental vehicles arising from 17 18 rental transactions in all jurisdictions in which the vehicles are operated. Apply the resulting percentage to the total number of 19 vehicles that ((shall)) must be registered in this state. Vehicles 20 21 registered in this state ((shall)) must be representative of the 22 vehicles in the fleet according to age, size, and value.

23 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.87.025 and 1990 c 250 s 75 are each amended to 24 read as follows:

All vehicles being added to ((an existing)) <u>a</u> Washington((based)) fleet or those vehicles that make up a new Washington((based)) fleet ((shall)) <u>must</u> be titled in the name of the owner at time of registration((, or evidence of filing application for title for such vehicles in the name of the owner shall accompany the application for proportional registration)).

31 **Sec. 5.** RCW 46.87.030 and 2010 c 161 s 1142 are each amended to 32 read as follows:

(1) When application to register ((an apportionable)) <u>a</u> vehicle in an existing fleet is made, the Washington ((prorated)) <u>apportioned</u> fees ((may)) <u>must</u> be reduced by one-twelfth for each full ((registration)) month that has elapsed ((at)) <u>from</u> the time ((a temporary authorization permit (TAP) was issued or if no TAP was

1 issued, at such time as)) an application for registration is received in the department. ((If a vehicle is being added to a currently 2 registered fleet,)) The prorate percentage previously established for 3 the fleet ((for such registration year shall)) must be used in the 4 computation of the ((proportional)) apportionable fees and taxes due. 5 б (2) If ((any)) a vehicle is withdrawn from a ((proportionally 7 registered)) fleet during the period ((for which)) it is registered under this chapter, the registrant of the fleet ((shall)) must notify 8 the department on ((appropriate)) forms prescribed by the department. 9 The department may require the registrant to surrender credentials 10 11 ((that were)) issued to the vehicle. If a ((motor)) vehicle is 12 ((permanently withdrawn from a proportionally registered fleet because it has been destroyed, sold, or otherwise)) completely 13 removed from the service of the fleet ((registrant)), the unused 14 portion of the license fee paid under RCW 46.17.355 ((with respect to 15 16 the vehicle)), reduced by one-twelfth for each ((calendar)) month and 17 fraction thereof elapsing between the first day of the month of the 18 current registration year ((in which the vehicle was registered)) and 19 the date the notice of ((withdrawal, accompanied by such credentials as may be required,)) removal is received in the department, 20 21 ((shall)) must be credited to the registrant's fleet proportional registration account ((of the registrant)). Credit ((shall)) must be 22 applied against the license fee liability for subsequent additions of 23 24 ((motor)) vehicles to ((be proportionally registered in)) the fleet 25 during ((such)) the registration year or for additional license fees 26 due under RCW 46.17.355 or ((to)) be due upon audit under RCW 46.87.310. If any credit is less than fifteen dollars, ((no)) the 27 28 credit ((will)) must not be entered. In lieu of credit, the registrant may ((choose to)) transfer the unused portion of the 29 license fee for the ((motor)) vehicle to the new owner, in which case 30 31 it ((shall)) <u>must</u> remain with the ((motor)) vehicle for which it was originally paid. ((In no event may any)) An amount may not be 32 33 credited against fees other than those for the registration year from which the credit was obtained ((nor is any)) and an amount ((subject 34 to refund)) may not be refunded. 35

36 **Sec. 6.** RCW 46.87.040 and 1994 c 262 s 13 are each amended to 37 read as follows:

Additional gross weight may be purchased ((for proportionally registered motor vehicles)) to the limits authorized under chapter

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1 46.44 RCW. ((Reregistration at the higher gross weight (maximum gross weights under this chapter are fifty-four thousand pounds for a solo 2 3 three-axle truck or one hundred five thousand five hundred pounds for a combination))) Registration must be for the ((balance)) remainder 4 of the registration year, including the full registration month in 5 6 which the vehicle is initially ((licensed)) registered at the higher gross weight. The apportionable ((or proportional)) fee initially 7 paid to the state of Washington, reduced ((for)) by the number of 8 9 full registration months the license was in effect, ((will)) must be deducted from the total fee ((to be paid to this state for licensing 10 11 at the higher gross weight for the balance of the registration year)) 12 <u>due</u>. ((No)) <u>A</u> credit or refund ((will)) <u>may not</u> be given for a 13 reduction of gross weight.

14 **Sec. 7.** RCW 46.87.050 and 2005 c 194 s 4 are each amended to 15 read as follows:

Each day the department ((shall)) <u>must</u> forward to the state treasurer the fees collected under this chapter($(_{7})$) and, within ten days of the end of each registration quarter, a detailed report identifying the amount to be deposited to each account for which fees are required ((for the licensing of proportionally registered vehicles)). Such fees ((shall)) <u>must</u> be deposited pursuant to RCW 46.68.035 ((and 82.44.170)).

23 Sec. 8. RCW 46.87.060 and 1987 c 244 s 21 are each amended to 24 read as follows:

The apportionment of fees to IRP member jurisdictions ((shall)) must be in accordance with the provisions of the IRP agreement ((based on the apportionable fee multiplied by the prorate percentage for each jurisdiction in which the fleet will be registered or is currently registered)).

30 **Sec. 9.** RCW 46.87.070 and 2005 c 194 s 5 are each amended to 31 read as follows:

Trailers, semitrailers, and pole trailers ((that are)) properly based in jurisdictions other than $Washington((\tau))$ and ((that display)) displaying currently registered license plates ((from such)) issued by the jurisdictions ((will be)) are granted vehicle ((license)) registration reciprocity in this state ((without the need of further vehicle license registration)). Unless registered under 1 the provisions of the IRP as a pool fleet, such trailers, 2 semitrailers, and pole trailers must be operated in combination with 3 an apportioned power unit to qualify for reciprocity. If pole 4 trailers are not required to be licensed separately by a member 5 jurisdiction, ((such vehicles)) they may be operated in this state 6 without displaying a ((current)) base license plate.

7 **Sec. 10.** RCW 46.87.080 and 2013 c 225 s 609 are each amended to 8 read as follows:

9 Upon making satisfactory application and (1) payment of ((applicable)) fees and taxes for proportional registration under 10 11 this chapter, the department must issue ((a cab card and validation tab for each vehicle, and to vehicles of Washington-based fleets, two 12 13 distinctive apportionable license plates for each motor vehicle)) <u>credentials</u>. License plates must be displayed ((on vehicles)) as 14 15 required ((by)) under RCW 46.16A.200(5). The ((number and)) license 16 plates must be of a design((, size, and color)) determined by the 17 department. The license plates must be treated with reflectorized 18 material and clearly marked with the words "WASHINGTON" and "APPORTIONED," both words to appear in full and without abbreviation. 19

20 (2) The cab card ((serves as)) is the certificate of registration 21 for ((a proportionally registered)) the vehicle. The ((face of the)) cab card must contain the name and address of the registrant as 22 ((contained)) maintained in the records of the department, the 23 24 license plate number assigned to the vehicle ((by the base 25 jurisdiction)), the vehicle identification number, and ((such)) other ((description of the vehicle and data as)) information the department 26 27 may require. The cab card must be signed by the registrant, or a 28 designated person if the registrant is a business ((firm)), and must ((at all times)) always be carried in ((or on)) the vehicle ((to 29 30 which it was issued)).

(3) The apportioned license plates are not transferrable ((from vehicle to vehicle unless otherwise determined by rule and may be used only on the vehicle to which they are assigned by the department for as long as they are)). License plates must be legible ((or)) and remain with the vehicle until ((such time as)) the department requires them to be removed ((and returned to the department)).

37 (4) ((Distinctive)) Validation tab(s) of a design((, size, and 38 color)) determined by the department must be affixed to the 39 ((apportioned)) license plate(s) as prescribed by the department

1 ((to)) and indicate the month((, if necessary,)) and year for which 2 the vehicle is registered.

3 (5) ((Renewals are effected by the issuance and display of such 4 tab(s) after making satisfactory application and payment of 5 applicable fees and taxes.

6 (6))) <u>A fleet</u> vehicle((s so)) properly registered ((and identified are)) is deemed to be fully ((licensed and)) registered in 7 this state for any type of <u>legal</u> movement or operation. $((However_{\tau}))$ 8 In ((those)) instances in which a permit or grant of authority is 9 required for interstate or intrastate ((movement or)) operation, ((no 10 11 such)) the vehicle ((may)) must not be operated in interstate or intrastate commerce ((in this state)) unless the owner ((has been)) 12 is granted ((interstate)) the appropriate operating authority ((in 13 the case of interstate operations or intrastate operating authority 14 by the Washington utility and transportation commission in the case 15 16 of intrastate operations)) and ((unless)) the vehicle is being 17 operated in conformity with that permit or operating authority.

18 (((7) The department may issue temporary authorization permits 19 (TAPs) to qualifying operators for the operation of vehicles pending 20 issuance of license identification. A fee of one dollar plus a one 21 dollar filing fee must be collected for each permit issued. The 22 permit fee must be deposited in the motor vehicle fund, and the 23 filing fee must be deposited in the highway safety fund. The 24 department may adopt rules for use and issuance of the permits.

25 (8))) (6) The department may ((refuse to issue any license or permit)) deny, suspend, or revoke the credentials authorized ((by)) 26 <u>under</u> subsection (1) $\left(\left(\frac{\text{or}}{(7)}\right)\right)$ of this section to any person: (a) 27 Who formerly held any type of license, registration, credentials, or 28 29 permit issued by the department pursuant to chapter 46.16A, 46.44, 46.85, 46.87, or 82.38 RCW that has been revoked for cause, which 30 31 cause has not been removed; ((or)) (b) who is a subterfuge for the 32 real party in interest whose license, registration, credentials, or permit issued by the department pursuant to chapter 46.16A, 46.44, 33 46.85, 46.87, or 82.38 RCW and has been revoked for cause, which 34 cause has not been removed; ((or)) (c) who, as ((an)) a person, 35 individual licensee, or officer, partner, director, owner, or 36 managing employee of a nonindividual licensee, has had a license, 37 registration, or permit issued by the department pursuant to chapter 38 39 46.16A, <u>46.44</u>, 46.85, 46.87, or 82.38 RCW ((which)) that has been 40 revoked for cause, which cause has not been removed; ((or)) (d) who has an unsatisfied debt to the state assessed under either chapter 46.16A, <u>46.44</u>, 46.85, 46.87, 82.38, or 82.44 RCW; or (e) who, as a person, individual licensee, officer, partner, director, owner, or managing employee of a nonindividual licensee, has been prohibited from operating as a motor carrier by the federal motor carrier safety administration or Washington state patrol and the cause for such prohibition has not been satisfied.

8 (((9) The department may revoke the license or permit authorized 9 by subsection (1) or (7) of this section issued to any person for any 10 of the grounds constituting cause for denial of licenses or permits 11 set forth in subsection (8) of this section.

12 (10)) (7) Before such ((refusal)) denial, suspension, or 13 revocation under subsection (((8) or (9))) (6) of this section, the 14 department must grant the applicant ((a)), registrant, or owner an 15 informal hearing and at least ten days written notice of the time and 16 place of the hearing.

17 **Sec. 11.** RCW 46.87.090 and 1994 c 262 s 14 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

(1) To replace ((an apportioned vehicle)) license ((plate(s)))
plates, <u>a</u> cab card, or validation tab(s) ((due to loss, defacement,
or destruction)), the registrant ((shall)) <u>must</u> apply to the
department on forms furnished ((for that purpose)) <u>by the department</u>.
((The application, together with proper payment and other
documentation as indicated, shall be filed with the department as
follows:))

(a) ((Apportioned plate(s) -)) A fee of ten dollars ((shall be)) 26 27 <u>is</u> charged for ((vehicles required to display)) two ((apportioned)) 28 license plates ((or five dollars for vehicles required to display one apportioned plate. The cab card of the vehicle for which a plate is 29 30 requested shall accompany the application)). The department ((shall)) 31 <u>must</u> issue ((a)) new ((apportioned plate(s))) <u>license plates</u> with validation ((tab(s))) tabs and a new cab card ((upon acceptance of 32 the completed application form, old cab card, and the required 33 34 replacement fee)).

35 (b) ((Cab card)) <u>A</u> fee of two dollars ((shall be)) <u>is</u> charged 36 for each <u>cab</u> card. ((If this is a duplicate cab card, it will be 37 noted thereon.))

38 (c) ((Validation year tab(s) -)) <u>A</u> fee of two dollars ((shall
 39 be)) <u>is</u> charged for each ((vehicle)) <u>validation year tab</u>.

(2) All fees collected under this section ((shall)) must be
 deposited ((to)) in the motor vehicle fund.

3 **Sec. 12.** RCW 46.87.120 and 2005 c 194 s 7 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

5 (1) ((The initial)) An application for proportional registration of a fleet ((shall)) must state the ((mileage data with respect to)) 6 actual distance accumulated by the fleet ((for the preceding year in 7 this and other jurisdictions)) during the reporting period. If ((no)) 8 9 operations were <u>not</u> conducted ((with)) by the fleet during the 10 ((preceding year)) reporting period, the application ((shall)) must 11 contain a ((full statement of the proposed method of operation and estimates of annual mileage in each of the jurisdictions in which 12 operation is contemplated. The registrant shall determine the in-13 14 jurisdiction and total miles to be used in computing the fees and 15 taxes due for the fleet. The department may evaluate and adjust the 16 estimate in the application if it is not satisfied as to its 17 correctness.

18 (2) When operations of a Washington-based fleet is materially changed through merger, acquisition, or extended authority, the 19 20 registrant shall notify the department, which shall then require the filing of an amended application setting forth the proposed operation 21 by use of estimated mileage for all jurisdictions. The department may 22 adjust the estimated mileage by audit or otherwise to an actual 23 24 travel basis to insure proper fee payment. The actual travel basis may be used for determination of fee payments until such time as a 25 normal mileage year is available under the new operation)) department 26 determined average per vehicle distance of the fleet in all 27 28 jurisdictions.

29 **Sec. 13.** RCW 46.87.130 and 2005 c 194 s 8 are each amended to 30 read as follows:

31 ((In addition to all other fees prescribed for the proportional registration of vehicles under this chapter,)) 32 The department ((shall)) must collect a vehicle transaction fee each time a vehicle 33 fleet, and each time 34 is added to a Washington((-based)) the ((proportional)) registration of a Washington((-based)) <u>fleet</u> vehicle 35 is renewed. The exact amount of the vehicle transaction fee ((shall)) 36 37 must be fixed by rule, but ((shall)) must not exceed ten dollars. 38 This fee ((shall)) <u>must</u> be deposited in the motor vehicle fund.

1 **Sec. 14.** RCW 46.87.140 and 2011 c 171 s 98 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

(1) Any owner ((engaged in interstate operations)) of one or more 3 fleets of apportionable vehicles may, in lieu of registration of the 4 vehicles under chapter 46.16A RCW, register ((and license)) the 5 fleet ((under this chapter)) by б vehicles of each filing а 7 proportional registration application ((for each fleet)) with the department. The application ((shall)) must contain the following 8 information and ((such)) other information ((pertinent to vehicle 9 registration as)) the department may require: 10

11 (a) A description and identification of each vehicle ((of)) in 12 the fleet.

13 (b) ((The member jurisdictions in which registration is desired 14 and such other information as member jurisdictions require.

15 (c)) An original or renewal application ((shall also)) must be accompanied by a ((mileage)) distance schedule for each fleet.

17 (((d))) <u>(c)</u> The USDOT number issued to the registrant and the 18 USDOT number of the motor carrier responsible for the safety of 19 ((the)) <u>each</u> vehicle, if different.

20 (((e) A completed Motor Carrier Identification Report (MCS-150)
21 at the time of fleet renewal or at the time of vehicle registration,
22 if required by the department.

23 (f)) <u>(d)</u> The <u>taxpayer</u> <u>identification</u> <u>number</u> of the registrant 24 and the motor carrier responsible for the safety of ((the)) <u>each</u> 25 vehicle, if different.

26 (2) Each application ((shall)) <u>must</u>, at the time and in the 27 manner required by the department, be supported by payment of a fee 28 computed as follows:

(a) Divide the in-jurisdiction ((miles)) distance for each
 jurisdiction by the total ((miles)) distance and carry the answer to
 the nearest thousandth of a percent (three places beyond the decimal,
 e.g. 10.543((%)) percent). This factor is known as the prorate
 percentage.

(b) Determine the ((total proratable)) apportionable fees and taxes required for each vehicle in the fleet ((for which registration is requested,)) based on the ((regular annual fees and taxes or)) applicable fees and taxes ((for the unexpired portion of the registration year)) under the laws of each jurisdiction ((for which fees or taxes are to be calculated)). 1 ((Applicable)) Fees and taxes for vehicles of Washington((based)) fleets and foreign jurisdiction fleets operating in 2 3 <u>Washington</u> are those prescribed under RCW ((46.17.350(1)(c))) <u>46.17.315</u>, 46.17.355, and 82.38.075((, as applicable)). If, during 4 the registration period, the lessor of an apportioned vehicle changes 5 and the vehicle remains in the fleet of the registrant, the 6 7 department ((shall)) must only charge those fees prescribed for the issuance of new apportioned license plates, validation tabs, and cab 8 card. 9

10 (c) Multiply the total, ((proratable)) apportionable fees or 11 taxes for each ((motor)) vehicle by the prorate percentage applicable 12 to ((the desired)) each jurisdiction and round the results to the 13 nearest cent.

14 (d) Add the total fees and taxes determined in (c) of this subsection for each vehicle to the ((nonproratable)) nonapportionable 15 16 fees and taxes required under the laws of ((the)) each jurisdiction 17 ((for which fees are being calculated)). ((Nonproratable)) 18 <u>Nonapportionable</u> fees required for vehicles of Washington((-based)) 19 fleets are the administrative fee required ((by)) under RCW 82.38.075, ((if applicable, and)) the vehicle transaction fee 20 21 pursuant to ((the provisions of)) RCW 46.87.130, and the commercial vehicle safety inspection fee in RCW 46.17.315. 22

(e) The amount due and payable ((for the application)) is the sum
of the fees and taxes calculated for each ((member)) jurisdiction in
which ((registration of)) the fleet is ((desired)) registered.

(3) All assessments for ((proportional registration)) taxes and fees are due and payable in United States funds on the date presented or mailed to the registrant at the address listed in the proportional registration records of the department. The registrant may petition for reassessment of the fees or taxes due ((under this section)) within thirty days of the date of original service ((as provided for in this chapter)).

33 **Sec. 15.** RCW 46.87.150 and 1996 c 91 s 1 are each amended to 34 read as follows:

((Whenever)) <u>If</u> a person ((has been required to)) pays a fee or tax ((pursuant to this chapter)) that amounts to an overpayment of ten dollars or more, the person is entitled to a refund of the entire amount of ((such)) <u>the</u> overpayment, regardless of whether or not a refund ((of the overpayment)) has been requested. ((Nothing in)) This

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subsection <u>does not</u> preclude((s anyone)) a person from applying for a 1 2 refund of ((such)) an overpayment if the overpayment is less than ten dollars. ((Conversely,)) If the department or its agents ((has failed 3 to charge)) fail to assess and collect the full amount of fees or 4 taxes ((pursuant to this chapter)) <u>owed</u>, which underpayment is ((in 5 the amount of)) ten dollars or more, the department ((shall charge 6 7 must collect ((such)) the additional amount and)) ((as will constitute full payment of the fees and taxes due)) owed. 8

9 **Sec. 16.** RCW 46.87.190 and 2005 c 194 s 10 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

11 The department may suspend or cancel the exemptions, benefits, or 12 privileges granted under chapter 46.85 RCW or this chapter to any 13 person ((or business firm)) who violates any of the conditions or 14 terms of the IRP or who violates the laws <u>or rules</u> of this state 15 relating to the operation or registration of vehicles ((or rules 16 lawfully adopted thereunder)).

17 Sec. 17. RCW 46.87.200 and 1987 c 244 s 33 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

The department ((may)) <u>must</u> refuse registration of a vehicle if the applicant has failed to furnish proof, acceptable to the department, that the federal heavy vehicle use tax imposed ((by section 4481 of the internal revenue code of 1954)) <u>under 26 U.S.C.</u> <u>Sec. 4481</u> has been suspended or paid. ((The department may adopt rules as deemed necessary to administer this section.))

25 **Sec. 18.** RCW 46.87.220 and 2010 c 161 s 1144 are each amended to 26 read as follows:

27 The gross weight ((in the case of a motor truck, tractor, or 28 truck tractor)) of a vehicle is the scale weight of the ((motor truck, tractor, or truck tractor)) vehicle, plus the scale weight of 29 any trailer, semitrailer, converter gear, or pole trailer to be towed 30 by it, to which ((shall)) must be added the maximum weight of the 31 32 ((maximum)) load to be carried on it or towed by it as ((set forth)) 33 declared by the licensee ((in the application providing)) as long as it does not exceed the weight limitations prescribed ((by)) under 34 35 chapter 46.44 RCW.

The gross weight in the case of a bus, auto stage, or <u>passenger-</u> 7 <u>carrying</u> for hire vehicle((, except a taxicab,)) with a seating

1 capacity over six, is the scale weight of the bus, auto stage, or 2 <u>passenger-carrying</u> for hire vehicle plus the seating capacity, 3 including the operator's seat, computed at one hundred ((and)) fifty 4 pounds per seat.

5 If the resultant gross weight, according to this section, is not 6 listed in RCW 46.17.355, it ((will)) <u>must</u> be increased to the next 7 higher gross weight ((so)) listed pursuant to chapter 46.44 RCW.

A ((motor)) vehicle or combination of vehicles found to be loaded beyond the licensed gross weight of the ((motor)) vehicle ((registered under this chapter shall)) or combination of vehicles <u>must</u> be cited and handled under RCW 46.16A.540 and 46.16A.545.

12 **Sec. 19.** RCW 46.87.230 and 2011 c 171 s 99 are each amended to 13 read as follows:

14 Whenever an act or omission is declared to be unlawful under 15 chapter 46.12, 46.16A, or 46.44 RCW or this chapter, and ((if)) the 16 operator of the vehicle is not the owner or lessee of the vehicle but 17 is ((so)) operating or moving the vehicle with the express or implied 18 permission of the owner or lessee, ((then)) the operator and the 19 owner or lessee are both subject to this chapter, with the primary 20 responsibility to be that of the owner or lessee.

If the person operating the vehicle at the time of the unlawful act or omission is not the owner or the lessee of the vehicle, that person is fully authorized to accept the citation or notice of infraction and execute the promise to appear on behalf of the owner or lessee.

26 **Sec. 20.** RCW 46.87.240 and 1987 c 244 s 37 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

((Under)) <u>To administer</u> the provisions of the IRP, the department may act in a quasi-agency relationship with other jurisdictions. The department may collect and forward applicable registration fees and taxes ((and applications)) to other jurisdictions on behalf of the applicant or another jurisdiction and may take other action that facilitates the administration of the ((plan)) <u>IRP</u>.

34 **Sec. 21.** RCW 46.87.250 and 1987 c 244 s 38 are each amended to 35 read as follows:

This chapter constitutes complete authority for the registration of ((fleet)) vehicles upon a proportional registration basis without reference to or application of any other statutes of this state
 except as expressly provided in this chapter.

3 **Sec. 22.** RCW 46.87.260 and 2003 c 53 s 255 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

5 Any person who alters ((or)), forges, or causes to be altered or 6 forged any ((cab card, letter of authority, or other temporary 7 authority issued by the department under this chapter)) credential, 8 or holds or uses ((a cab card, letter of authority, or other 9 temporary authority,)) any credential knowing the ((document)) 10 credential to have been altered or forged, is guilty of a class B 11 felony punishable according to chapter 9A.20 RCW.

12 Sec. 23. RCW 46.87.280 and 1987 c 244 s 41 are each amended to 13 read as follows:

14 ((Nothing contained in)) This chapter ((relating to proportional 15 registration of fleet vehicles)) does not require((s)) any vehicle to 16 be proportionally registered if it is otherwise properly registered 17 for operation on the highways of this state.

18 Sec. 24. RCW 46.87.290 and 2003 c 53 s 256 are each amended to 19 read as follows:

20 (1) If the department determines at any time that an applicant for proportional registration of a vehicle or ((a fleet of)) vehicles 21 22 is not entitled to ((a cab card for a vehicle or fleet of vehicles)) 23 credentials, the department may refuse to issue ((the cab card(s) or to license)) credentials for the vehicle or ((fleet of)) vehicles and 24 25 ((may for like reason)), after notice, ((and in the exercise of discretion,)) cancel ((the cab card(s) and license plate(s) already 26 issued)) any existing credentials. The department ((shall)) must send 27 28 the notice of cancellation by first-class mail, addressed to the 29 owner of the vehicle ((in question)) or vehicles at the owner's 30 address as it appears in the proportional registration records of the department((, and record the transmittal on an affidavit of first-31 32 class mail)). It is ((then)) unlawful for any person to ((remove,)) 33 drive $((\tau))$ or operate the vehicle(s) until ((a)) proper ((certificate(s) of registration or cab card(s) has)) credentials 34 35 have been issued.

36 (2) Any person $((removing_{\tau}))$ driving $((\tau))$ or operating the 37 vehicle(s) after the refusal of the department to issue ((a - cab))

1 card(s), certificate(s) of registration, license plate(s),))
2 credentials or the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of the
3 ((cab card(s), certificate(s) of registration, or license plate(s)))
4 credentials is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

5 (3) ((At the discretion of the department,)) <u>A</u> vehicle that has 6 been ((moved,)) driven((τ)) or operated in violation of this section 7 may be impounded by the Washington state patrol, county sheriff, or 8 city police in a manner directed for such cases by the chief of the 9 Washington state patrol until proper ((registration and license 10 <u>plate</u>)) <u>credentials</u> have been issued.

11 **Sec. 25.** RCW 46.87.294 and 2011 c 171 s 100 are each amended to 12 read as follows:

13 The department ((shall)) must refuse to register a vehicle ((under this chapter)) if the registrant or motor carrier responsible 14 15 for the safety of the vehicle has been prohibited ((under federal 16 law)) from operating by the federal carrier motor safety 17 administration. The department ((shall)) may not register a vehicle if the Washington state patrol has placed an out-of-service order on 18 19 the vehicle's department of transportation number, as defined in RCW 20 46.16A.010.

21 **Sec. 26.** RCW 46.87.296 and 2011 c 171 s 101 are each amended to 22 read as follows:

23 department ((shall)) <u>must</u> suspend The or revoke the 24 ((registration)) credentials of a vehicle ((registered under this 25 chapter)) if the registrant or motor carrier responsible for the 26 safety of the vehicle has been prohibited ((under federal law)) from 27 operating by the federal motor carrier safety administration. The department ((shall)) may not register a vehicle if the Washington 28 29 state patrol has placed an out-of-service order on the vehicle's 30 department of transportation number, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010.

31 **Sec. 27.** RCW 46.87.300 and 1987 c 244 s 43 are each amended to 32 read as follows:

33 The suspension, revocation, cancellation, or refusal by the 34 director, or the director's designee, of ((a license plate(s), 35 certificate(s) of registration, or cab card(s) provided for in)) the 36 credentials issued under this chapter is conclusive unless the person 37 whose ((license plate(s), certificate(s) of registration, or cab

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card(s) is)) credentials are suspended, revoked, canceled, or refused 1 appeals to the superior court of Thurston county, or at the person's 2 option if a resident of Washington, to the superior court of his or 3 her county of residence, for the purpose of having the suspension, 4 revocation, cancellation, or refusal of the ((license plate(s), 5 б certificate(s) of registration, or cab card(s))) credentials set aside. Notice of appeal ((shall)) must be filed within ten calendar 7 days after service of the notice of suspension, revocation, 8 cancellation, or refusal. Upon the filing of the appeal, the court 9 10 ((shall)) must issue an order to the director to show cause why the ((license(s))) credentials should not be granted or reinstated. The 11 12 director ((shall)) must respond to the order within ten days after the date of service of the order upon the director. Service ((shall)) 13 must be in the manner prescribed for service of summons and complaint 14 in other civil actions. Upon the hearing on the order to show cause, 15 16 the court ((shall)) must hear evidence concerning matters related to 17 the suspension, revocation, cancellation, or refusal of the ((license plate(s), certificate(s) of registration, or cab card(s))) 18 19 credentials and ((shall)) enter judgment either affirming or setting aside the suspension, revocation, cancellation, or refusal. 20

21 **Sec. 28.** RCW 46.87.310 and 1996 c 91 s 2 are each amended to 22 read as follows:

((Any)) 23 owner ((whose application for proportional An 24 registration has been accepted shall)) <u>must</u> preserve the records on which the <u>owner's</u> application for apportioned registration is based 25 for a period of ((four)) three years following the ((preceding year 26 27 or period upon which the application is based. These records shall be complete and shall include, but not be limited to, the following: 28 29 Copies of proportional registration applications and supplements for 30 all jurisdictions in which the fleet is prorated; proof of 31 proportional or full registration with other jurisdictions; vehicle license or trip permits; temporary authorization permits; documents 32 establishing the latest purchase year and cost of each fleet vehicle 33 in ready-for-the-road condition; weight certificates indicating the 34 unladen, ready-for-the-road, weight of each vehicle in the fleet; 35 periodic summaries of mileage by fleet and by individual vehicles; 36 37 individual trip reports, driver's daily logs, or other source 38 documents maintained for each individual trip that provide trip 39 dates, points of origin and destinations, total miles traveled, miles

1 traveled in each jurisdiction, routes traveled, vehicle equipment number, driver's full name, and all other information pertinent to 2 each trip. Upon request of the department, the owner shall make the 3 4 records available to the department at its designated office for audit as to accuracy of records, computations, and payments)) close 5 б of the registration year. The owner must make records available to 7 the department for audit as to the accuracy and adequacy of records, computations, and payments at a location designated by the 8 9 department. The department ((shall)) must assess and collect any 10 unpaid fees and taxes ((found to be)) due ((the state)) affected 11 jurisdictions and provide credits ((or refunds)) for any overpayments 12 of ((Washington)) apportionable fees and taxes ((as determined in accordance with formulas and other requirements prescribed in this 13 chapter)) to the jurisdictions affected. If the records produced by 14 15 the owner for the audit fail to meet the criteria for adequate records, or are not produced within thirty calendar days after a 16 17 written request by the department, the department must impose on the owner an assessment in the amount of twenty percent of the total 18 apportionable fees paid or found due because of appropriate 19 adjustment for the registration of the fleet in the registration year 20 to which records pertain. In the instance of a second offense, the 21 22 department must impose upon the owner an assessment in the amount of 23 fifty percent of the total apportionable fees paid or found due because of appropriate adjustment for the registration of the fleet 24 25 in the registration year to which records pertain. In the instance of a third or any subsequent offense, the department must impose upon 26 27 the owner an assessment in the amount of one hundred percent of the total apportionable fees paid or found due because of appropriate 28 adjustment for the registration of the fleet in the registration year 29 30 to which records pertain. The department must distribute the amount of assessments it collects under this section on a pro rata basis to 31 32 the other jurisdictions in which the fleet was registered or required 33 to be registered.

If the owner fails to maintain complete records as required ((by)) <u>under</u> this section, the department ((shall)) <u>may</u> attempt to reconstruct or reestablish such records. ((However, if the department is unable to do so and the missing or incomplete records involve mileages accrued by vehicles while they are part of the fleet, the department may assess an amount not to exceed the difference between the Washington proportional fees and taxes paid and one hundred percent of the fees and taxes. Further, if the owner fails to maintain complete records as required by this section, or if the department determines that the owner should have registered more vehicles in this state under this chapter, the department may deny the owner the right of any further benefits provided by this chapter until any final audit or assessment made under this chapter has been satisfied.))

The department may ((audit the records of any owner and may make 8 arrangements with agencies of other jurisdictions administering motor 9 vehicle registration laws for joint audits of any such owner)) 10 11 conduct joint audits of any owner with other jurisdictions. ((No)) An 12 assessment for deficiency or claim for credit may <u>not</u> be made for any period for which records are no longer required. Any fees, taxes, 13 14 penalties, or interest ((found to be)) due and owing the state upon audit ((shall)) bear interest at the rate of one percent per month, 15 16 or fraction thereof, from the first day of the calendar month after 17 the amount should have been paid until the date of payment. If the 18 audit discloses a deliberate and willful intent to evade the requirements of payment under RCW 46.87.140, a penalty of ten percent

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20 ((shall also)) of the amount owed, in addition to any other
21 assessments authorized under this chapter, must be assessed.

If the audit discloses that an overpayment ((to the state)) in excess of ten dollars has been made, the department ((shall certify)) <u>must refund</u> the overpayment to the ((state treasurer who shall issue a warrant for the overpayment to the vehicle operator)) <u>owner</u>. Overpayments ((shall)) <u>must</u> bear interest at the rate of eight percent per annum from the date on which the overpayment ((is)) <u>was</u> incurred until the date of payment.

29 **Sec. 29.** RCW 46.87.320 and 1987 c 244 s 45 are each amended to 30 read as follows:

The department may initiate and conduct audits and investigations ((as may be reasonably necessary)) to establish the existence of any alleged violations of or noncompliance with this chapter or any rules adopted under it.

For the purpose of any audit, investigation, or proceeding under this chapter, the director or any designee of the director may administer oaths and affirmations, subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance, take evidence, and require the production of any books, paper, correspondence, memoranda, agreements, or other documents or

1 records that the department deems relevant or material to the 2 inquiry.

In case of contumacy or refusal to obey a subpoena issued to any person, any court of competent jurisdiction ((upon application by the department,)) may issue an order requiring that person to appear before the director or the officer designated by the director to produce testimony or other evidence touching the matter under audit, investigation, or in question. Failure to obey an order of the court may be punishable by contempt.

10 **Sec. 30.** RCW 46.87.330 and 1996 c 91 s 3 are each amended to 11 read as follows:

12 An owner of ((proportionally registered)) vehicles against whom 13 is made under RCW 46.87.310 may petition for an assessment reassessment ((thereof)) within thirty days after service of notice 14 15 of the assessment upon the owner ((of the proportionally registered 16 vehicles)). If the petition is not filed within the thirty-day 17 period, the amount of the assessment becomes final ((at the 18 expiration of that time period)).

If a petition for reassessment is filed within the thirty-day 19 20 period, the department ((shall)) must reconsider the assessment and, if the petitioner has ((so)) requested in the petition, ((shall)) 21 grant the petitioner an oral hearing and give the petitioner ten days 22 23 notice of the time and place of the hearing. The department may 24 continue the hearing from time to time. The decision of the 25 department upon a petition for reassessment becomes final thirty days 26 after service upon the petitioner of notice of the decision.

Every assessment made under RCW 46.87.310 becomes due and payable at the time it is served on the owner. If the assessment is not paid in full when it becomes final, the department ((shall)) <u>must</u> add a penalty of ten percent of the amount of the assessment.

31 Any notice of assessment, reassessment, oral hearing, or decision required ((by)) under this section ((shall)) must be served 32 personally or by mail. If served by mail, service is deemed to have 33 34 been accomplished on the date the notice was deposited in the United 35 States mail((, postage prepaid, addressed to the owner of the proportionally registered vehicles at)) and mailed to the owner's 36 37 address as it appears in the proportional registration records of the 38 department.

1 ((No)) <u>An</u> injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or 2 equitable process may <u>not</u> be issued in any suit, action, or 3 proceeding in any court against any officer of the state to prevent 4 or enjoin the collection under this chapter of any fee or tax or any 5 amount of fee or tax required to be collected, except as specifically 6 provided for in chapter 34.05 RCW.

7 **Sec. 31.** RCW 46.87.335 and 1994 c 262 s 15 are each amended to 8 read as follows:

9 Except in the case of violations of filing a false or fraudulent 10 application, if the department deems mitigation of penalties, fees, 11 and interest to be reasonable ((and in the best interests of carrying out the purpose of this chapter)), it may mitigate such assessments 12 ((upon whatever terms the department deems proper,)) 13 qivinq consideration to the degree and extent of the lack of records and 14 15 reporting errors. The department may ascertain the facts regarding 16 recordkeeping and payment penalties in lieu of more elaborate 17 proceedings under this chapter.

18 **Sec. 32.** RCW 46.87.340 and 1993 c 307 s 16 are each amended to 19 read as follows:

((If an owner of proportionally registered vehicles liable for 20 21 the remittance of fees and taxes imposed by this chapter fails to pay the fees and taxes, the amount thereof, including any interest, 22 23 penalty, or addition to the fees and taxes together with any additional costs that may accrue, constitutes a lien in favor of the 24 state upon all franchises, property, and rights to property, whether 25 the property is employed by the person for personal or business use 26 or is in the hands of a trustee, receiver, or assignee for the 27 benefit of creditors, from the date the fees and taxes were due and 28 29 payable until the amount of the lien is paid or the property is sold 30 to pay the lien. The lien has priority over any lien or encumbrance 31 whatsoever, except the lien of other state taxes having priority by law, and except that the lien is not valid as against any bona fide 32 mortgagee, pledgee, judgment creditor, or purchaser whose rights have 33 attached before the time the department has filed and recorded notice 34 of the lien as provided in this chapter. 35

36 In order to avail itself of the lien created by this section, the 37 department shall file with any county auditor a statement of claim 38 and lien specifying the amount of delinquent fees and taxes,

1 penalties, and interest claimed by the department. From the time of filing for record, the amount required to be paid constitutes a lien 2 upon all franchises, property, and rights to property, whether real 3 or personal, then belonging to or thereafter acquired by the person 4 in the county. Any lien as provided in this section may also be filed 5 б in the office of the secretary of state. Filing in the office of the secretary of state is of no effect, however, until the lien or a copy 7 of it has been filed with the county auditor in the county where the 8 property is located. When a lien is filed in compliance with this 9 10 section and with the secretary of state, the filing has the same effect as if the lien had been duly filed for record in the office of 11 each county auditor of this state.)) (1) If a person liable for the 12 payment of fees and taxes fails to pay the amount, including any 13 interest and penalty, together with costs incurred, there must be a 14 15 lien in favor of the state upon all franchises, property, and rights to property, whether real or personal, belonging to or acquired, 16 17 whether the property is employed by such person for personal or business use or is in the control of a trustee, receiver, or 18 assignee. The lien is effective from the date fees and taxes were due 19 and payable until the amount is satisfied. The lien has priority over 20 21 any lien or encumbrance except liens of other fees and taxes having 22 priority by law.

23 (2) The department must file with any county auditor or other
24 agent a statement of claim and lien specifying the amount of
25 delinquent fees, taxes, penalties, and interest owed.

26 **Sec. 33.** RCW 46.87.350 and 1994 c 262 s 16 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

If ((an owner of proportionally registered vehicles for which an 28 assessment has become final)) a person is delinquent in the payment 29 30 of ((an)) any obligation ((imposed under this chapter)), the 31 department may give notice of the amount of the delinquency ((by registered or certified)), in person or by mail, to ((all)) persons 32 having ((in their)) possession or ((under their)) control ((any)) of 33 credits or ((other)) personal and real property belonging to the 34 ((vehicle owner)) person, or owing any debts to the ((owner, at the 35 time of the receipt by them of the notice)) person. ((Thereafter, a)) 36 Any person ((so)) notified ((shall neither)) may not transfer ((nor 37 38 make other disposition)) or dispose of ((those)) credits, personal 39 and real property, or debts ((until)) without the consent of the

1 department ((consents to a transfer or other disposition)). A person ((so)) notified ((shall)) must, within twenty days after receipt of 2 the notice, advise the department of any ((and all such)) credits, 3 personal and real property, or debts in ((their)) his or her 4 possession, under ((their)) his or her control or owing by ((them, as 5 б the case may be)) him or her, and ((shall forthwith)) must immediately deliver ((such)) the credits, personal and real property, 7 or debts to the department ((or its duly authorized representative to 8 be applied to the indebtedness involved)). 9

10 If a person fails to <u>timely</u> answer the notice ((within the time 11 prescribed by this section, it is lawful for the court upon 12 application of the department and after the time to answer the notice 13 has expired, to)), a court may render judgment by default against the 14 person ((for the full amount claimed by the department in the notice 15 to withhold and deliver, together with costs)).

16 ((Upon service,)) The notice and order to withhold and deliver 17 constitutes a continuing lien on property of the ((taxpayer)) person. 18 The department ((shall)) <u>must</u> include in the ((caption of the)) 19 notice to withhold and deliver "continuing lien." The effective date 20 of a notice to withhold and deliver ((served under this section)) is 21 the date of service ((of the notice)).

22 **Sec. 34.** RCW 46.87.360 and 2010 c 8 s 9101 are each amended to 23 read as follows:

24 ((Whenever the owner of proportionally registered vehicles)) If a 25 person is delinquent in the payment of ((an)) any obligation ((imposed under this chapter)), and the delinquency continues after 26 27 notice and demand for payment ((by the department)), the department 28 ((may proceed to)) must collect the amount due ((from the owner in 29 the following manner:)). The department ((shall)) must seize any 30 property subject to the lien of the fees, taxes, penalties, and 31 interest and sell it at public auction ((to pay the obligation and 32 any and all costs that may have been incurred because of the seizure and sale)). Notice of the intended sale and its time and place 33 ((shall)) must be given to the ((delinquent owner)) person and to all 34 persons ((appearing of record to have)) with an interest in the 35 property. ((The notice shall be given in writing at least ten days 36 before the date set for the sale by registered or certified mail 37 38 addressed to the owner as appearing in the proportional registration 39 records of the department and, in the case of any person appearing of

1 record to have an interest in such property, addressed to that person at his or her last known residence or place of business. In 2 addition,)) The notice ((shall)) must be published at least ten days 3 before the date set for the sale in a newspaper of general 4 circulation published in the county in which the property ((seized is 5 6 to)) will be sold. If there is no newspaper of general circulation in 7 the county, the notice ((shall)) must be posted in three public places in the county for a period of ten days. The notice ((shall)) 8 <u>must</u> contain a description of the property ((to be sold)), a 9 statement of the amount due ((under this chapter)), the name of the 10 11 ((owner of the proportionally registered vehicles)) person, and ((the 12 further)) a statement that unless the amount due is paid on or before the time ((fixed)) in the notice the property will be sold ((in 13 14 accordance with law)).

The department ((shall then proceed to)) must sell the property 15 16 ((in accordance with law and the notice,)) and ((shall)) deliver to 17 the purchaser a bill of sale or deed ((that vests title in the 18 purchaser)). If ((upon any such sale)) the moneys received exceed the 19 amount due ((to the state under this chapter)) from the ((delinquent 20 owner)) person, the excess ((shall)) must be returned to the 21 ((delinquent owner and his or her)) person with a receipt ((obtained for it)). ((The department may withhold payment of the excess to the 22 delinquent owner)) If ((a)) any person having an interest in or lien 23 upon the property has filed notice with the department ((his or her 24 25 notice of the lien or interest)) before the sale, the department must 26 withhold payment of any excess to the person pending determination of 27 the rights of the respective parties ((thereto)) by a court of competent jurisdiction. If ((for any reason)) the receipt of the 28 29 ((delinguent owner)) person is not available, the department ((shall)) must deposit the excess with the state treasurer as trustee 30 31 for the ((delinquent owner)) person or his or her heirs, successors, 32 or assigns.

33 **Sec. 35.** RCW 46.87.370 and 2001 c 146 s 6 are each amended to 34 read as follows:

35 ((Whenever any)) When an assessment ((has)) becomes final ((in accordance with this chapter)), the department may file with the 37 clerk of any county within ((this)) the state a warrant in the amount 38 of fees, taxes, penalties, interest, and a filing fee under RCW 39 36.18.012(10). ((The clerk of the county in which the warrant is

filed shall immediately designate a superior court cause number for 1 the warrant, and the clerk shall cause to be entered in the judgment 2 docket under the superior court cause number assigned to the warrant 3 the name of the delinquent owner of proportionally registered 4 vehicles mentioned in the warrant, the amount of the fees, taxes, 5 б penalties, interest, and filing fee, and the date when the warrant 7 was filed.)) The ((aggregate amount of the)) warrant ((as docketed)) constitutes a lien upon the title to, and interest in, all real and 8 9 personal property of the ((named)) person against whom the warrant is issued((, the same as a judgment in a civil case duly docketed in the 10 11 office of the clerk)). ((A)) The warrant ((so docketed)) is 12 sufficient to support the issuance of writs of execution and writs of 13 garnishment in favor of the state ((in the manner provided by law in 14 the case of civil judgment wholly or partially unsatisfied. The clerk of the court is entitled to a filing fee under RCW 36.18.012(10), 15 16 which shall be added to the amount of the warrant)).

17 **Sec. 36.** RCW 46.87.410 and 1997 c 183 s 1 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

19 A ((proportional registration)) licensee $((\tau))$ who files ((or)20 against whom is filed)) a petition in bankruptcy, ((shall, within ten 21 days of the filing,)) or against whom a petition for bankruptcy is department ((of the proceedings in 22 filed, must notify the 23 bankruptcy)) within ten days of the filing, including the 24 ((identity)) <u>name</u> and location of the court in which ((the 25 proceedings are pending)) petition is filed.

26 **Sec. 37.** RCW 46.19.020 and 2014 c 124 s 3 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

28 (1) The following organizations may apply for special parking 29 privileges:

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(a) Public transportation authorities;

31 (b) Nursing homes licensed under chapter 18.51 RCW;

32 (c) Assisted living facilities licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW;

33 (d) Senior citizen centers;

34 (e) Accessible van rental companies registered ((under RCW 35 46.87.023)) with the department;

36 (f) Private nonprofit corporations, as defined in RCW 24.03.005; 37 and 1 (g) Cabulance companies that regularly transport persons with 2 disabilities who have been determined eligible for special parking 3 privileges under this section and who are registered with the 4 department under chapter 46.72 RCW.

5 (2) An organization that qualifies for special parking privileges 6 may receive, upon application, special license plates or parking 7 placards, or both, for persons with disabilities as defined by the 8 department.

9 (3) Public transportation authorities, nursing homes, assisted 10 living facilities, senior citizen centers, accessible van rental 11 companies, private nonprofit corporations, and cabulance services are 12 responsible for ensuring that the parking placards and special 13 license plates are not used improperly and are responsible for all 14 fines and penalties for improper use.

15 (4) The department shall adopt rules to determine organization 16 eligibility.

17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 38. The following acts or parts of acts are 18 each repealed:

19 (1) RCW 46.87.023 (Rental car businesses) and 2011 c 171 s 96,
20 1994 c 227 s 2, & 1992 c 194 s 7;

(2) RCW 46.87.210 (Refusal of application from nonreciprocal
 jurisdiction) and 1987 c 244 s 34;

(3) RCW 46.87.270 (Gross weight on vehicle) and 1990 c 250 s 77 &
1987 c 244 s 40; and

25 (4) RCW 46.87.380 (Delinquent obligations—Collection by attorney 26 general) and 1987 c 244 s 51.

27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 39. 2013 c 225 s 305 is repealed.

Sec. 40. 2013 c 225 s 650 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows: ((This act takes effect July 1, 2015.)) Sections 103, 110, 607, 641, 642, and 643 of this act take effect July 1, 2015. Sections 101, 102, 104 through 109, 111 through 304, 306 through 501, 601 through

33 <u>606, 608 through 640, and 644 through 649 of this act take effect</u> 34 <u>July 1, 2016.</u>

35 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 41. Sections 1 through 27 and 29 through 38 36 of this act take effect July 1, 2016.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 42. Sections 28, 39, and 40 of this act are
 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health,
 or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public
 institutions, and take effect July 1, 2015.

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