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**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2676**

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AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE TESTING

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LAURIE JINKINS

**Speaker of the House of  
Representatives**

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Yeas 48 Nays 0

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**President of the Senate**

Approved March 27, 2020 2:24 PM

JAY INSLEE

**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2676** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BERNARD DEAN

**Chief Clerk**

FILED

March 27, 2020

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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**By** House Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Kloba, Boehnke, and Hudgins)

READ FIRST TIME 02/11/20.

1            AN ACT Relating to establishing minimum requirements for the  
2 testing of autonomous vehicles; adding a new section to chapter 46.30  
3 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 46 RCW; and providing an effective  
4 date.

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

6            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    A new section is added to chapter 46.30  
7 RCW to read as follows:

8            (1) No entity may test an autonomous motor vehicle on any public  
9 roadway under the department's autonomous vehicle self-certification  
10 testing pilot program unless:

11            (a) The entity holds an umbrella liability insurance policy that  
12 covers the entity in an amount not less than five million dollars per  
13 occurrence for damages by reason of bodily injury or death or  
14 property damage, caused by the operation of an autonomous motor  
15 vehicle for which information is provided under the autonomous  
16 vehicle self-certification testing pilot program; and

17            (b) The entity maintains proof of this policy with the department  
18 in a form and manner specified by the department.

19            (2) Requirements related to proof of motor vehicle insurance  
20 under RCW 46.30.020 and penalties for providing false evidence of

1 motor vehicle insurance under RCW 46.30.040 are applicable to this  
2 section.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) In order to test an autonomous motor  
4 vehicle on any public roadway under the department's autonomous  
5 vehicle self-certification testing pilot program, the following  
6 information must be provided by the self-certifying entity testing  
7 the autonomous motor vehicle:

8 (a) Contact information specified by the department;

9 (b) Local jurisdictions where testing is planned;

10 (c) The vehicle identification numbers of the autonomous vehicles  
11 being tested, provided that one is required by state or federal law;  
12 and

13 (d) Proof of an insurance policy that meets the requirements of  
14 section 1 of this act.

15 (2) Any autonomous motor vehicle to which subsection (1) of this  
16 section is applicable and that does not have a vehicle identification  
17 number and is not otherwise required under state or federal law to  
18 have a vehicle identification number assigned to it must be assigned  
19 a unique identification number that is provided to the department and  
20 that is displayed in the vehicle in a manner similar to the display  
21 of vehicle identification numbers in motor vehicles.

22 (3)(a) The self-certifying entity testing the autonomous motor  
23 vehicle on any public roadway must notify the department of:

24 (i) Any collisions that are required to be reported to law  
25 enforcement under RCW 46.52.030, involving an autonomous motor  
26 vehicle during testing on any public roadway; and

27 (ii) Any moving violations, as defined in administrative rule as  
28 authorized under RCW 46.20.2891, for which a citation or infraction  
29 was issued, involving an autonomous motor vehicle during testing on  
30 any public roadway.

31 (b) By February 1st of each year, the self-certifying entity must  
32 submit a report to the department covering reportable events from the  
33 prior calendar year.

34 (c) The self-certifying entity shall provide the information  
35 required by the department under (a) of this subsection. The  
36 information provided must include whether the autonomous driving  
37 system was operating the vehicle at the time of or immediately prior  
38 to the collision or moving violation, and in the case of a collision,

1 details regarding the collision, including any loss of life, injury,  
2 or property damage that resulted from the collision.

3 (d) The provisions of this section are supplemental to all other  
4 rights and duties under law applicable in the event of a motor  
5 vehicle collision.

6 (4) The self-certifying entity testing the autonomous motor  
7 vehicle on public roadways under the department's autonomous vehicle  
8 self-certification testing pilot program must provide written notice  
9 in advance of testing to local and state law enforcement agencies  
10 with jurisdiction over any of the public roadways on which testing  
11 will occur that includes the expected period of time during which  
12 testing will occur in the applicable jurisdictions, including city  
13 police departments within city limits where testing will occur,  
14 county sheriff departments outside of city limits in counties where  
15 testing will occur, and the Washington state patrol when testing will  
16 occur on limited access highways, as defined in RCW 47.52.010.  
17 However, for testing primarily on limited access highways that  
18 travels through multiple local jurisdictions, which may include the  
19 limited incidental use of other roadways, the self-certifying entity  
20 must only provide written notice as specified in this subsection to  
21 the Washington state patrol. Written notice provided under this  
22 subsection must: (a) Be provided not less than fourteen and not more  
23 than sixty days in advance of testing; (b) include contact  
24 information where the law enforcement agency can communicate with the  
25 self-certifying entity testing the autonomous vehicle regarding the  
26 testing planned in that jurisdiction; and (c) provide the physical  
27 description of the motor vehicle or vehicles being tested, including  
28 make, model, color, and license plate number.

29 (5) The department may adopt a fee to be charged by the  
30 department for self-certification in an amount sufficient to offset  
31 administration by the department of the self-certification testing  
32 pilot program.

33 (6) The department shall provide public access to the information  
34 self-certifying entities provide to it, and shall provide an annual  
35 report to the house and senate transportation committees of the  
36 legislature summarizing the information reported by self-certifying  
37 entities under this section.

38 (7) An autonomous motor vehicle may not be operated on any public  
39 roadway for the purposes of testing in Washington state until the

1 department is provided with the information required under subsection  
2 (1) of this section.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Section 2 of this act constitutes a new  
4 chapter in Title 46 RCW.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Section 2 of this act takes effect October  
6 1, 2021.

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