

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 2323

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Establishing a blue envelope program.

Sponsors: House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Eslick, Steele, Ramel, Reed and Hill).

House Committee on Transportation
Senate Committee on Transportation

Background:

Any person in operation of a motor vehicle is required to carry proof of vehicle registration in the vehicle for which it is issued and to provide proof of registration upon demand from local authorities or any law enforcement officer.

Any person operating a motor vehicle must also be insured under a motor vehicle liability policy with liability limits, covered by a certificate of deposit, or covered by a liability bond. At the request of a law enforcement officer, proof of financial responsibility for the motor vehicle must be provided.

It is unlawful for an operator of a moving vehicle who has been stopped for a traffic infraction to refuse the officer's request to provide a valid driver's license, insurance identification card or proof of financial responsibility, and the vehicle's registration.

Summary:

The Department of Licensing (DOL) is required to work in consultation with relevant stakeholders to establish the Blue Envelope Program (Program) to enhance communication during traffic stops between individuals who are neurodiverse and officers.

As part of the Program, blue envelopes must be made available at no cost to qualified individuals at all driver licensing offices within the state, containing the following printed

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information:

- information for the envelope holder regarding traffic stop safety tips;
- recommendations for the responding law enforcement officer with interaction techniques applicable to those who are neurodiverse; and
- information on what types of documents to include inside the envelope, such as vehicle registration and proof of insurance.

The DOL must maintain accessible information and resources regarding the Program on an existing webpage or website.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 92 1

Senate 47 0

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