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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing a blue envelope program; adding a
2 new section to chapter 46.19 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that traffic stops
5 can be tense situations for the driver and law enforcement officer,
6 and that people who are neurodivergent may react in a manner that
7 could be misunderstood in the context of a traffic stop,
8 inadvertently resulting in an escalation of the situation. The
9 legislature, therefore, intends to establish a voluntary blue
10 envelope program to enhance communication between law enforcement and
11 community members with a disability or condition that may be helpful
12 during traffic stops.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 46.19
14 RCW to read as follows:

15 (1) The department, in consultation with relevant stakeholders,
16 shall develop a blue envelope program for operators and passengers of
17 motor vehicles with a disability or condition that could impact the
18 way they interact with law enforcement during a traffic stop. The
19 blue envelope developed as part of the program must contain the
20 following:

1 (a) Printed information for the envelope's holder regarding
2 traffic stop safety tips;

3 (b) Printed recommendations for the responding law enforcement
4 officer with interaction techniques applicable to those who are
5 neurodivergent to help promote enhanced communication and
6 accommodation between law enforcement officers and community members;
7 and

8 (c) Printed information on the envelope explaining that documents
9 related to the qualified individual's vehicle including, but not
10 limited to, vehicle registration documents and proof of insurance,
11 should be enclosed within the envelope.

12 (2) The blue envelope program must allow a qualified individual
13 to obtain, at no cost, a blue envelope from any driver licensing
14 office within the state.

15 (3) The department must maintain on an existing website clear,
16 accessible program information and resources regarding the blue
17 envelope program.

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