
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1933

State of Washington **62nd Legislature** **2011 Regular Session**

By House Transportation (originally sponsored by Representative Finn)

READ FIRST TIME 02/25/11.

1 AN ACT Relating to license plate fraud and law enforcement safety;
2 amending RCW 46.18.220; adding a new section to chapter 46.18 RCW;
3 prescribing penalties; and providing effective dates.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.18.220 and 2010 c 161 s 617 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) A registered owner may apply to the department, county auditor
8 or other agent, or subagent appointed by the director for a collector
9 vehicle license plate for a motor vehicle that is at least thirty years
10 old. The motor vehicle must be operated primarily as a collector
11 vehicle and be in good running order. The applicant for the collector
12 vehicle license plate shall:

13 (a) Purchase a registration for the motor vehicle as required under
14 chapters ((46.16)) 46.16A and 46.17 RCW; and

15 (b) Pay the special license plate fee established under RCW
16 46.17.220(1)(d), in addition to any other fees or taxes required by
17 law.

18 (2) A person applying for a collector vehicle license plate may:

1 (a) Receive a collector vehicle license plate assigned by the
2 department; or

3 (b) Provide ((a)) an actual Washington state issued license plate
4 designated for general use in the year of the vehicle's manufacture.

5 (3) Collector vehicle license plates:

6 (a) Are valid for the life of the motor vehicle;

7 (b) Are not required to be renewed; and

8 (c) Must be displayed on the rear of the motor vehicle.

9 (4) A collector vehicle registered under this section may only be
10 used for participation in club activities, exhibitions, tours, parades,
11 and occasional pleasure driving.

12 (5) Collector vehicle license plates may be transferred from one
13 motor vehicle to another motor vehicle described in subsection (1) of
14 this section upon application to the department, county auditor or
15 other agent, or subagent appointed by the director.

16 (6) Any person who knowingly provides a false or facsimile license
17 plate under subsection (2)(b) of this section is guilty of a
18 misdemeanor.

19 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 46.18 RCW
20 to read as follows:

21 The department must provide a method by which law enforcement
22 officers may readily access vehicle information for collector vehicles
23 by using the collector vehicle license plate number. In the event
24 duplicate license plate numbers have been issued to more than one
25 collector vehicle, the department must provide a method for law
26 enforcement officers to identify the correct vehicle.

27 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. Section 1 of this act takes effect August 1,
28 2011.

29 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Section 2 of this act takes effect January
30 1, 2012.

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