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By Senate Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Ranker, Swecker, Stevens, and Honeyford)

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1 AN ACT Relating to vehicle and vessel quick title; amending RCW
2 88.02.640; adding a new section to chapter 46.12 RCW; adding a new
3 section to chapter 46.17 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 46.68
4 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 88.02 RCW; creating a new section;
5 and providing an effective date.

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

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.12 RCW
8 under the subchapter heading "general provisions" to read as follows:

9 (1) The application for a quick title of a vehicle must be
10 submitted by the owner or the owner's representative to the department,
11 participating county auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by
12 the director on a form furnished or approved by the department and must
13 contain:

14 (a) A description of the vehicle, including make, model, vehicle
15 identification number, type of body, and the odometer reading at the
16 time of delivery of the vehicle, when required;

17 (b) The name and address of the person who is to be the registered
18 owner of the vehicle and, if the vehicle is subject to a security
19 interest, the name and address of the secured party; and

1 (c) Other information as may be required by the department.

2 (2) The application for a quick title must be signed by the person
3 applying to be the registered owner and be sworn to by that person in
4 the manner described under RCW 9A.72.085. The department must keep a
5 copy of the application.

6 (3) The application for a quick title must be accompanied by:

7 (a) All fees and taxes due for an application for a certificate of
8 title, including a quick title service fee under section 2 of this act;
9 and

10 (b) The most recent certificate of title or other satisfactory
11 evidence of ownership.

12 (4) All applications for quick title must meet the requirements
13 established by the department.

14 (5) For the purposes of this section, "quick title" means a
15 certificate of title printed at the time of application.

16 (6) The quick title process authorized under this section may not
17 be used to obtain the first title issued to a vehicle previously
18 designated as a salvage vehicle as defined in RCW 46.04.514.

19 (7) A subagent may process a quick title under this section only
20 after (a) the department has instituted a process in which blank
21 certificates of title can be inventoried; (b) the county auditor of the
22 county in which the subagent is located has processed quick titles for
23 a minimum of six months; and (c) the county auditor approves a request
24 from a subagent in its county to process quick titles.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 46.17 RCW
26 under the subchapter heading "certificate of title fees" to read as
27 follows:

28 Before accepting an application for a quick title of a vehicle
29 under section 1 of this act, the department, participating county
30 auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by the director shall
31 require the applicant to pay a twenty-five dollar quick title service
32 fee in addition to any other fees and taxes required by law. The quick
33 title service fee must be distributed under section 3 of this act.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 46.68 RCW
35 to read as follows:

1 (1) The quick title service fee imposed under section 2 of this act
2 must be distributed as follows:

3 (a) If the fee is paid to the director, the fee must be deposited
4 to the motor vehicle fund established under RCW 46.68.070.

5 (b) If the fee is paid to the participating county auditor or other
6 agent or subagent appointed by the director, twelve dollars and fifty
7 cents must be deposited to the motor vehicle fund established under RCW
8 46.68.070. The remainder must be retained by the county treasurer in
9 the same manner as other fees collected by the county auditor.

10 (2) For the purposes of this section, "quick title" has the same
11 meaning as in section 1 of this act.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 88.02 RCW
13 under the subchapter heading "certificates of title" to read as
14 follows:

15 (1) The application for a quick title of a vessel must be made by
16 the owner or the owner's representative to the department,
17 participating county auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by
18 the director on a form furnished or approved by the department and must
19 contain:

20 (a) A description of the vessel, including make, model, hull
21 identification number, series, and body;

22 (b) The name and address of the person who is to be the registered
23 owner of the vessel and, if the vessel is subject to a security
24 interest, the name and address of the secured party; and

25 (c) Other information as may be required by the department.

26 (2) The application for a quick title must be signed by the person
27 applying to be the registered owner and be sworn to by that person in
28 the manner described under RCW 9A.72.085. The department must keep a
29 copy of the application.

30 (3) The application for a quick title must be accompanied by:

31 (a) All fees and taxes due for an application for a certificate of
32 title, including a quick title service fee under RCW 88.02.640(1); and

33 (b) The most recent certificate of title or other satisfactory
34 evidence of ownership.

35 (4) All applications for quick title must meet the requirements
36 established by the department.

1 (5) For the purposes of this section, "quick title" means a
2 certificate of title printed at the time of application.

3 (6) A subagent may process a quick title under this section only
4 after (a) the department has instituted a process in which blank
5 certificates of title can be inventoried; (b) the county auditor of the
6 county in which the subagent is located has processed quick titles for
7 a minimum of six months; and (c) the county auditor approves a request
8 from a subagent in its county to process quick titles.

9 **Sec. 5.** RCW 88.02.640 and 2010 c 161 s 1028 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 (1) In addition to any other fees and taxes required by law, the
12 department, county auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by the
13 director shall charge the following vessel fees:

14	FEE	AMOUNT	AUTHORITY	DISTRIBUTION
15	(a) Dealer temporary permit	\$5.00	RCW 88.02.800(2)	General fund
16	(b) Derelict vessel and	Subsection (3) of this	Subsections (3) and (4) of	Subsection (3) of this
17	invasive species removal	section	this section	section
18	(c) Duplicate registration	\$1.25	RCW 88.02.590(1)(c)	General fund
19	(d) Filing	RCW 46.17.005	RCW 46.17.005	RCW 46.68.440
20	(e) License plate	RCW 46.17.015	RCW 46.17.015	RCW 46.68.400
21	technology			
22	(f) License service	RCW 46.17.025	RCW 46.17.025	RCW 46.68.220
23	(g) Nonresident vessel	\$25.00	RCW 88.02.620(3)	Subsection (6) of this
24	permit			section
25	(h) <u>Quick title service</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>Section 4(3) of this act</u>	<u>Subsection (7) of this</u>
26				<u>section</u>
27	(i) Registration	\$10.50	RCW 88.02.560(2)	General fund
28	((+)) (j) Replacement	\$1.25	RCW 88.02.595(1)(c)	General fund
29	decal			
30	((+)) (k) Title application	\$5.00	RCW 88.02.515	General fund
31	((+)) (l) Transfer	\$1.00	RCW 88.02.560(7)	General fund
32	((+)) (m) Vessel visitor	\$30.00	RCW 88.02.610(3)	General fund
33	permit			

1 (2) The five dollar dealer temporary permit fee required in
2 subsection (1) of this section must be credited to the payment of
3 registration fees at the time application for registration is made.

4 (3)(a) Until June 30, 2012, the derelict vessel and invasive
5 species removal fee required in subsection (1) of this section is five
6 dollars and must be distributed as follows:

7 (i) One dollar and fifty cents must be deposited in the aquatic
8 invasive species prevention account created in RCW 77.12.879;

9 (ii) One dollar must be deposited into the freshwater aquatic algae
10 control account created in RCW 43.21A.667;

11 (iii) Fifty cents must be deposited into the aquatic invasive
12 species enforcement account created in RCW 43.43.400; and

13 (iv) Two dollars must be deposited in the derelict vessel removal
14 account created in RCW 79.100.100.

15 (b) On and after June 30, 2012, the derelict vessel and invasive
16 species removal fee is two dollars and must be deposited into the
17 derelict vessel removal account created in RCW 79.100.100. If the
18 department of natural resources indicates that the balance of the
19 derelict vessel removal account, not including any transfer or
20 appropriation of funds into the account or funds deposited into the
21 account collected under subsection (5) of this section reaches one
22 million dollars as of March 1st of any year, the collection of the two
23 dollar derelict vessel and invasive species removal fee must be
24 suspended for the following fiscal year.

25 (4) Until January 1, 2014, an annual derelict vessel removal
26 surcharge of one dollar must be charged with each vessel registration.
27 The surcharge:

28 (a) Is to address the significant backlog of derelict vessels
29 accumulated in Washington state waters that pose a threat to the health
30 and safety of the people and to the environment;

31 (b) Is to be used only for the removal of vessels that are less
32 than seventy-five feet in length; and

33 (c) Must be deposited into the derelict vessel removal account
34 created in RCW 79.100.100.

35 (5) The twenty-five dollar nonresident vessel permit fee must be
36 paid by the vessel owner to the department for the cost of providing
37 the identification document by the department. Any moneys remaining

1 from the fee after the payment of costs must be allocated to counties
2 by the state treasurer for approved boating safety programs under RCW
3 88.02.655.

4 (6) The thirty dollar vessel visitor permit fee must be distributed
5 as follows:

6 (a) Five dollars must be deposited in the derelict vessel removal
7 account created in RCW 79.100.100;

8 (b) The department may keep an amount to cover costs for providing
9 the vessel visitor permit;

10 (c) Any moneys remaining must be allocated to counties by the state
11 treasurer for approved boating safety programs under RCW 88.02.655; and

12 (d) Any fees required for licensing agents under RCW 46.17.005 are
13 in addition to any other fee or tax due for the titling and
14 registration of vessels.

15 (7)(a) The twenty-five dollar quick title service fee must be
16 distributed as follows:

17 (i) If the fee is paid to the director, the fee must be deposited
18 to the general fund.

19 (ii) If the fee is paid to the participating county auditor or
20 other agent or subagent appointed by the director, twelve dollars and
21 fifty cents must be deposited to the general fund. The remainder must
22 be retained by the county treasurer in the same manner as other fees
23 collected by the county auditor.

24 (b) For the purposes of this subsection, "quick title" has the same
25 meaning as in section 4 of this act.

26 NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. This act applies to quick title transactions
27 processed on and after December 1, 2011.

28 NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. This act takes effect December 1, 2011.

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