

1 more (26,001 pounds or more); or (c) is used in the transportation of
2 hazardous materials, as defined in RCW 46.25.010(13);

3 (2) "Department of transportation number" means a department of
4 transportation number from the federal motor carrier safety
5 administration;

6 (3) "Interstate commercial motor vehicle" means a commercial
7 vehicle that operates in more than one state;

8 (4) "Intrastate commercial motor vehicle" means a commercial
9 vehicle that operates exclusively within the state of Washington;

10 (5) "Motor carrier" means a person or entity who has been issued a
11 department of transportation number and who owns a commercial motor
12 vehicle;

13 (6) "Registration period" means the effective period of a vehicle
14 registration issued by the department for a vehicle that has a declared
15 gross weight of eight thousand pounds or less. A registration period
16 begins at 12:01 a.m. on the date of the calendar year designated by the
17 department and ends at 12:00 a.m. on the same day the second succeeding
18 year unless otherwise specified;

19 (7) "Registration year" means the effective period of a vehicle
20 registration issued by the department for a vehicle that has a declared
21 gross weight of more than eight thousand pounds. A registration year
22 begins at 12:01 a.m. on the date of the calendar year designated by the
23 department and ends at 12:00 a.m. on the same day the following year
24 unless otherwise specified;

25 ((+7)) (8) "Renewal notice" means the notice to renew a vehicle
26 registration sent to the registered owner by the department.

27 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.16A.020 and 2010 c 161 s 402 are each amended to
28 read as follows:

29 (1) The department, county auditor or other agent, or subagent
30 appointed by the director shall assign a new registration year or
31 registration period to a vehicle if:

32 (a) The Washington state vehicle registration has expired and
33 registered ownership to the vehicle is being transferred. The renewed
34 license is valid for a full twelve-month period or twenty-four month
35 period unless a specific expiration date is required by law, rule, or
36 program; or

1 (b) The Washington vehicle registration has expired and the
2 registered owner:

3 (i) Is a member of the United States armed forces;

4 (ii) Was stationed outside of Washington under military orders
5 during the prior vehicle registration year or registration period; and

6 (iii) Provides the department a copy of the military orders.

7 (2) Each registration year may be divided into twelve registration
8 months. Each registration period may be divided into twenty-four
9 registration months. Each registration month begins at 12:01 a.m. on
10 a day of the month assigned by the department and ends at 12:00 a.m. on
11 the same day the following month.

12 (3) A registration year or registration period extends through the
13 end of the next business day when the final day of a registration year
14 or registration period or month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal
15 holiday.

16 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.16A.025 and 2010 c 161 s 431 are each amended to
17 read as follows:

18 The department may by rule extend or reduce vehicle registration
19 periods for the purpose of staggering renewal periods. The rules may
20 exclude any classes or classifications of vehicles from the staggered
21 renewal system and may provide for the gradual introduction of classes
22 or classifications of vehicles into the system. The rules shall
23 provide for the collection of proportionately increased or decreased
24 vehicle license fees and of excise or property taxes required to be
25 paid at the time of registration.

26 ~~((It is the intent of the legislature that there shall be neither
27 a significant net gain nor loss of revenue to the state general fund or
28 the motor vehicle fund as the result of implementing and maintaining a
29 staggered vehicle registration system.))~~

30 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.16A.110 and 2010 c 161 s 428 and 2010 c 8 s 9012
31 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

32 (1) A registered owner or the registered owner's authorized
33 representative must apply for a renewal vehicle registration to the
34 department, county auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by the
35 director on a form approved by the director. The application for a

1 renewal vehicle registration must be accompanied by a draft, money
2 order, certified bank check, or cash for all fees and taxes required by
3 law for the application for a renewal vehicle registration.

4 (2) An application and the fees and taxes for a renewal vehicle
5 registration must be handled in the same manner as an original vehicle
6 registration application. The registration does not need to show the
7 name of the lien holder when the application for renewal vehicle
8 registration becomes the renewal registration upon validation.

9 (3) A person expecting to be out of state during the normal renewal
10 period of a vehicle registration may renew a vehicle registration and
11 have license plates or tabs preissued by applying for a renewal as
12 described in subsection (1) of this section. A vehicle registration
13 may be renewed for the subsequent registration year or registration
14 period up to eighteen months before the current expiration date and
15 must be displayed from the date of issue or from the day of the
16 expiration of the current registration year or registration period,
17 whichever date is later.

18 (4) An application for a renewal vehicle registration is not
19 required for those vehicles owned, rented, or leased by:

20 (a) The state of Washington, or by any county, city, town, school
21 district, or other political subdivision of the state of Washington; or

22 (b) A governing body of an Indian tribe located within this state
23 and recognized as a governmental entity by the United States department
24 of the interior.

25 **Sec. 5.** RCW 46.16A.180 and 2010 c 161 s 432 and 2010 c 8 s 9014
26 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

27 (1) A registration certificate must be:

28 (a) Signed by the registered owner, or if a firm or corporation,
29 the signature of one of its officers or other authorized agent, to be
30 valid;

31 (b) Carried in the vehicle for which it is issued; and

32 (c) Provided to law enforcement and the department by the operator
33 of the vehicle upon demand.

34 (2) It is unlawful for any person to operate or be in possession of
35 a vehicle without carrying a registration certificate for the vehicle.
36 Any person in charge of a vehicle shall, upon demand of any of the
37 local authorities or of any police officer or of any representative of

1 the department, permit an inspection of the vehicle registration
2 certificate. This section does not apply to a vehicle for which
3 registration is not required to be renewed annually or biennially and
4 is a publicly owned vehicle marked as required under RCW 46.08.065.

5 **Sec. 6.** RCW 46.16A.440 and 2010 c 161 s 421 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Private use single-axle trailers of two thousand pounds scale
8 weight or less may qualify for a reduced vehicle license fee described
9 in RCW 46.17.350(1)(k). To qualify for the reduced vehicle license
10 fee:

11 (1) The trailer must be operated upon public highways;

12 (2) The vehicle license fee must be collected (~~(annually)~~) for each
13 registration (~~(year)~~) period or fraction of a registration (~~(year)~~)
14 period; and

15 (3) The trailer must be operated for personal use of the owner and
16 not held for rental to the public or used in any commercial or business
17 endeavor.

18 **Sec. 7.** RCW 46.17.005 and 2010 c 161 s 501 are each amended to
19 read as follows:

20 (1) A person who applies for a vehicle registration or for any
21 other right to operate a vehicle on the highways of this state shall
22 pay a three dollar filing fee for a vehicle subject to a registration
23 year, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010, or a six dollar filing fee for a
24 vehicle subject to a registration period, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010,
25 in addition to any other fees and taxes required by law.

26 (2) A person who applies for a certificate of title shall pay a
27 four dollar filing fee in addition to any other fees and taxes required
28 by law.

29 (3) The filing fees established in this section must be distributed
30 under RCW 46.68.400.

31 **Sec. 8.** RCW 46.17.015 and 2010 c 161 s 502 are each amended to
32 read as follows:

33 (1) A person who applies for a vehicle registration or for any
34 other right to operate a vehicle on the highways of this state shall
35 pay a twenty-five cent license plate technology fee for a vehicle

1 subject to a registration year, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010, or a
2 fifty cent license plate technology fee for a vehicle subject to a
3 registration period, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010, in addition to any
4 other fees and taxes required by law. The license plate technology fee
5 must be distributed under RCW 46.68.370.

6 (2) A vehicle registered under RCW 46.16A.455 or 46.17.330 is not
7 subject to the license plate technology fee.

8 **Sec. 9.** RCW 46.17.025 and 2010 c 161 s 503 are each amended to
9 read as follows:

10 (1) A person who applies for a vehicle registration or for any
11 other right to operate a vehicle on the highways of this state shall
12 pay a fifty cent license service fee for a vehicle subject to a
13 registration year, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010, or a one dollar
14 license service fee for a vehicle subject to a registration period, as
15 defined in RCW 46.16A.010, in addition to any other fees and taxes
16 required by law. The license service fee must be distributed under RCW
17 46.68.220.

18 (2) A vehicle registered under RCW 46.16A.455 or 46.17.330 is not
19 subject to the license service fee.

20 **Sec. 10.** RCW 46.17.305 and 2010 c 161 s 522 are each amended to
21 read as follows:

22 Before accepting an application for a vehicle registration for a
23 boat trailer, the department, county auditor or other agent, or
24 subagent appointed by the director shall require the applicant to pay
25 a ((three)) six dollar aquatic weed fee in addition to any other fees
26 and taxes required by law. The ((three)) six dollar fee must be
27 deposited in the freshwater aquatic weeds account created in RCW
28 43.21A.650.

29 **Sec. 11.** RCW 46.17.330 and 2010 c 161 s 527 are each amended to
30 read as follows:

31 (1) In lieu of the vehicle license fee required under RCW 46.17.350
32 and before accepting an application for a vehicle registration for farm
33 vehicles described in RCW 46.16A.425, the department, county auditor or
34 other agent, or subagent appointed by the director shall require the

1 applicant, unless specifically exempt, to pay the following farm
2 vehicle reduced gross weight license fee by weight:

3	WEIGHT	SCHEDULE A	SCHEDULE B
4	4,000 pounds	\$((24.50)) <u>49.00</u>	\$((24.50)) <u>49.00</u>
5	6,000 pounds	\$((24.50)) <u>49.00</u>	\$((24.50)) <u>49.00</u>
6	8,000 pounds	\$((24.50)) <u>49.00</u>	\$((24.50)) <u>49.00</u>
7	10,000 pounds	\$40.50	\$40.50
8	12,000 pounds	\$49.00	\$49.00
9	14,000 pounds	\$54.50	\$54.50
10	16,000 pounds	\$60.50	\$60.50
11	18,000 pounds	\$86.50	\$86.50
12	20,000 pounds	\$95.00	\$95.00
13	22,000 pounds	\$102.00	\$102.00
14	24,000 pounds	\$109.50	\$109.50
15	26,000 pounds	\$115.00	\$115.00
16	28,000 pounds	\$134.00	\$134.00
17	30,000 pounds	\$153.00	\$153.00
18	32,000 pounds	\$182.50	\$182.50
19	34,000 pounds	\$193.50	\$193.50
20	36,000 pounds	\$209.00	\$209.00
21	38,000 pounds	\$228.50	\$228.50
22	40,000 pounds	\$260.00	\$260.00
23	42,000 pounds	\$270.00	\$315.00
24	44,000 pounds	\$275.50	\$320.50
25	46,000 pounds	\$295.50	\$340.50
26	48,000 pounds	\$307.50	\$352.50
27	50,000 pounds	\$333.00	\$378.00
28	52,000 pounds	\$349.50	\$394.50
29	54,000 pounds	\$376.50	\$421.50
30	56,000 pounds	\$397.00	\$442.00
31	58,000 pounds	\$412.50	\$457.50
32	60,000 pounds	\$439.00	\$484.00
33	62,000 pounds	\$470.00	\$515.00
34	64,000 pounds	\$480.00	\$525.00
35	66,000 pounds	\$533.50	\$578.50
36	68,000 pounds	\$556.00	\$601.00

1	70,000 pounds	\$598.00	\$643.00
2	72,000 pounds	\$639.00	\$684.00
3	74,000 pounds	\$693.50	\$738.50
4	76,000 pounds	\$748.50	\$793.50
5	78,000 pounds	\$816.50	\$861.50
6	80,000 pounds	\$880.50	\$925.50
7	82,000 pounds	\$941.00	\$986.00
8	84,000 pounds	\$1,001.00	\$1,046.00
9	86,000 pounds	\$1,061.50	\$1,106.50
10	88,000 pounds	\$1,122.00	\$1,167.00
11	90,000 pounds	\$1,182.50	\$1,127.50
12	92,000 pounds	\$1,242.50	\$1,287.50
13	94,000 pounds	\$1,303.00	\$1,348.00
14	96,000 pounds	\$1,363.50	\$1,408.50
15	98,000 pounds	\$1,424.00	\$1,469.00
16	100,000 pounds	\$1,484.00	\$1,529.00
17	102,000 pounds	\$1,544.50	\$1,589.50
18	104,000 pounds	\$1,605.00	\$1,650.00
19	105,500 pounds	\$1,665.50	\$1,710.50

20 (2) Schedule A applies to vehicles either used exclusively for
21 hauling logs or that do not tow trailers. Schedule B applies to
22 vehicles that tow trailers and are not covered under Schedule A.

23 (3) If the resultant gross weight is not listed in the table
24 provided in subsection (1) of this section, it must be increased to the
25 next higher weight.

26 (4) Farm vehicles that have a declared gross weight of eight
27 thousand pounds or less must pay the gross weight license fee listed in
28 Schedule A or Schedule B biennially.

29 (5) The farm vehicle reduced gross weight license fees provided in
30 subsection (1) of this section are in addition to the filing fee
31 required under RCW 46.17.005 and any other fee or tax required by law.

32 ((+5)) (6) The farm vehicle reduced gross weight license fee as
33 provided in subsection (1) of this section must be distributed under
34 RCW 46.68.030.

35 **Sec. 12.** RCW 46.17.350 and 2010 c 161 s 531 are each amended to
36 read as follows:

1 (1) Before accepting an application for a vehicle registration, the
 2 department, county auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by the
 3 director shall require the applicant, unless specifically exempt, to
 4 pay the following vehicle license fee by vehicle type:

5 VEHICLE TYPE	INITIAL FEE	RENEWAL FEE	DISTRIBUTED UNDER
6 (a) Auto stage, six seats or less	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.030
7 (b) Camper	\$ ((4.90)) <u>9.80</u>	\$ ((3.50)) <u>7.00</u>	RCW 46.68.030
8 (c) Commercial trailer	\$ 34.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.035
9 (d) For hire vehicle, six seats	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.030
10 or less			
11 (e) Mobile home (if registered)	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.030
12 (f) Moped	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	RCW 46.68.030
13 (g) Motor home	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	RCW 46.68.030
14 (h) Motorcycle	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	RCW 46.68.030
15 (i) Off-road vehicle	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.00	RCW 46.68.045
16 (j) Passenger car	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	RCW 46.68.030
17 (k) Private use single-axle	\$ ((15.00)) <u>30.00</u>	\$ ((15.00)) <u>30.00</u>	RCW 46.68.035(2)
18 trailer			
19 (l) Snowmobile	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.350
20 (m) Snowmobile, vintage	\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00	RCW 46.68.350
21 (n) Sport utility vehicle	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	RCW 46.68.030
22 (o) Tow truck	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.030
23 (p) Trailer, over 2000 pounds	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	RCW 46.68.030
24 (q) Travel trailer	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	\$ ((30.00)) <u>60.00</u>	RCW 46.68.030

25 (2) The vehicle license fee required in subsection (1)(b), (f),
 26 (g), (h), (j), (k), (n), (p), and (q) of this section must be paid
 27 biennially.

28 (3) The vehicle license fee required in subsection (1) of this
 29 section is in addition to the filing fee required under RCW 46.17.005,
 30 and any other fee or tax required by law.

31 **Sec. 13.** RCW 46.17.375 and 2010 c 161 s 534 are each amended to
 32 read as follows:

33 (1) Before accepting an application for registration for a
 34 recreational vehicle, the department, county auditor or other agent, or

1 subagent appointed by the director shall require an applicant to pay a
2 ((three)) six dollar fee in addition to any other fees and taxes
3 required by law. The recreational vehicle sanitary disposal fee must
4 be deposited in the RV account created in RCW 46.68.170.

5 (2) For the purposes of this section, "recreational vehicle" means
6 a camper, motor home, or travel trailer.

7 **Sec. 14.** RCW 46.68.030 and 2010 c 161 s 803 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The director shall forward all fees for vehicle registrations
10 under chapters ((46.16)) 46.16A and 46.17 RCW, unless otherwise
11 specified by law, to the state treasurer with a proper identifying
12 detailed report. The state treasurer shall credit these moneys to the
13 motor vehicle fund created in RCW 46.68.070.

14 (2) Proceeds from vehicle license fees and renewal vehicle license
15 fees must be deposited by the state treasurer as follows:

16 (a) \$20.35 of each initial or renewal vehicle license fee for a
17 vehicle subject to a registration year, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010,
18 and \$40.70 of each initial or renewal vehicle license fee for a vehicle
19 subject to a registration period, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010, must be
20 deposited in the state patrol highway account in the motor vehicle
21 fund, hereby created. Vehicle license fees, renewal vehicle license
22 fees, and all other funds in the state patrol highway account must be
23 for the sole use of the Washington state patrol for highway activities
24 of the Washington state patrol, subject to proper appropriations and
25 reappropriations.

26 (b) \$2.02 of each initial vehicle license fee and \$0.93 of each
27 renewal vehicle license fee for a vehicle subject to a registration
28 year, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010, and \$4.04 of each initial vehicle
29 license fee and \$1.86 of each renewal vehicle license fee for a vehicle
30 subject to a registration period, as defined in RCW 46.16A.010, must be
31 deposited each biennium in the Puget Sound ferry operations account.

32 (c) Any remaining amounts of vehicle license fees and renewal
33 vehicle license fees that are not distributed otherwise under this
34 section must be deposited in the motor vehicle fund.

35 **Sec. 15.** RCW 82.50.460 and 1979 c 123 s 3 are each amended to read
36 as follows:

1 Prior to the end of any registration (~~year~~) period of a vehicle,
2 the director shall cause to be mailed to the owners of travel trailers
3 or campers, of record, notice of the amount of tax payable during the
4 succeeding registration (~~year~~) period. The notice shall contain a
5 legal description of the travel trailer or camper, prominent notice of
6 due dates, and such other information as may be required by the
7 director.

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