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2 **SSB 5116** - H COMM AMD **ADOPTED 03/05/92**

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.61 RCW
8 to read as follows:

9 If a law enforcement officer investigating a violation of RCW
10 46.61.370 has reasonable cause to believe that a violation has
11 occurred, the officer may request the owner of the motor vehicle to
12 supply information identifying the driver of the vehicle at the time
13 the violation occurred. When requested, the owner of the motor vehicle
14 shall identify the driver to the best of the owner's ability. The
15 owner of the vehicle is not required to supply identification
16 information to the law enforcement officer if the owner believes the
17 information is self-incriminating."

18 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 46.61 RCW
19 to read as follows:

20 (1) The driver of a school bus who observes a violation of RCW
21 46.61.370 may prepare a written report on a form provided by the state
22 patrol or another law enforcement agency indicating that a violation
23 has occurred. The driver of the school bus or a school official may
24 deliver the report to a law enforcement officer of the state, county,
25 or municipality in which the violation occurred but not more than
26 seventy-two hours after the violation occurred. The driver shall
27 include in the report the time and location at which the violation

1 occurred, the vehicle license plate number, and a description of the
2 vehicle involved in the violation.

3 (2) The law enforcement officer shall initiate an investigation of
4 the reported violation within ten working days after receiving the
5 report described in subsection (1) of this section by contacting the
6 owner of the motor vehicle involved in the reported violation and
7 requesting the owner to supply information identifying the driver.
8 Failure to investigate within the ten working day period does not
9 prohibit further investigation or prosecution. If, after an
10 investigation, the law enforcement officer is able to identify the
11 driver and has reasonable cause to believe a violation of RCW 46.61.370
12 has occurred, the law enforcement officer shall prepare a notice of
13 traffic infraction and have it served upon the driver of the vehicle."

14 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The superintendent of public
15 instruction, in cooperation with a least one school district, shall
16 conduct a pilot program to test the feasibility of using video cameras
17 to identify motorists and vehicles that illegally pass school buses
18 when the bus is loading and unloading students. The superintendent
19 shall report his or her findings to the legislature by December 30,
20 1992."

21 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 46.37 RCW
22 to read as follows:

23 (1) A school bus may be equipped with a single hazard strobe lamp.
24 The lamp must meet the standards and specifications established by the
25 chief of the Washington state patrol and must be mounted on the center
26 line of the roof in the rear one-half of the bus, but no closer than
27 six feet from the rear of the bus measured from a vertical plane
28 tangent to the rearmost point of the bus body.

1 (2) A hazard strobe lamp may be used when the bus is occupied with
2 school children or when one or more of the following conditions exist:

3 (a) The bus is in motion in inclement, sight-obscuring conditions,
4 including but not limited to, rain, fog, snow, and smoke;

5 (b) There is a need to improve the visibility of the bus when
6 stopping on, standing on, or starting onto a highway; or

7 (c) There is limited visibility caused by geographic hazards,
8 including but not limited to, winding roadways, hills, trees, and
9 buildings."

10 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. If specific funding for the purposes of
11 section 3 of this act, referencing this act by bill number, is not
12 provided by June 30, 1992, in the omnibus appropriations act, section
13 3 of this act shall be null and void."

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17 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "safety;" strike the
18 remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter 46.61
19 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 46.37 RCW; and creating new
20 sections."