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3 By Senators Barr amd W. Hansen

4 On page 2, after line 5, insert the following:

5 "Sec. 2. RCW 46.61.655 and 1990 c 250 s 56 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any public highway
8 unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent any of
9 its load from dropping, sifting, leaking, or otherwise escaping
10 therefrom, except that sand may be dropped for the purpose of securing
11 traction. Any person operating a vehicle from which any glass or
12 objects have fallen or escaped, which would constitute an obstruction
13 or injure a vehicle or otherwise endanger travel upon such public
14 highway shall immediately cause the public highway to be cleaned of all
15 such glass or objects and shall pay any costs therefor.

16 (2) No person may operate on any public highway any vehicle with
17 any load unless the load and such covering as required thereon by
18 subsection (3) of this section is securely fastened to prevent the
19 covering or load from becoming loose, detached, or in any manner a
20 hazard to other users of the highway.

21 (3) Any vehicle operating on a paved public highway with a load of
22 dirt, sand, or gravel susceptible to being dropped, spilled, leaked, or
23 otherwise escaping therefrom shall be covered so as to prevent
24 spillage. Covering of such loads is not required if six inches of
25 freeboard is maintained within the bed.

26 (4) Any vehicle with deposits of mud, rocks, or other debris on the
27 vehicle's body, fenders, frame, undercarriage, wheels, or tires shall
28 be cleaned of such material before the operation of the vehicle on a
29 paved public highway.

1 (5) The state patrol may make necessary rules to carry into effect
2 the provisions of this section, applying such provisions to specific
3 conditions and loads and prescribing means, methods, and practices to
4 effectuate such provisions.

5 (6) Nothing in this section may be construed to prohibit a public
6 maintenance vehicle from dropping sand on a highway to enhance
7 traction, or sprinkling water or other substances to clean or maintain
8 a highway.

9 (7) This section does not apply to waste products falling from
10 vehicles hauling live farm animals when crossing a ferry capable only
11 of transporting fewer than twenty-five vehicles."

12 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "7.48.305" insert "and
13 46.61.655"