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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6460**

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**By** Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Sellar, Newhouse and McMullen; by request of Department of Licensing)

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1 AN ACT Relating to for hire vehicles; and amending RCW 46.72.020,  
2 46.72.030, 46.72.070, 46.72.080, 46.72.120, and 46.72.130.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.72.020 and 1979 c 158 s 188 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 No for hire operator shall cause operation of a for hire vehicle  
7 upon any highway of this state without first obtaining a permit from  
8 the director of licensing, except for those for hire operators  
9 regulated by cities or counties in accordance with chapter 81.72 RCW.  
10 Application for a permit shall be made on forms provided by the  
11 director and shall include (1) the name and address of the owner or  
12 owners, and if a corporation, the names and addresses of the principal  
13 officers thereof; (2) city, town or locality in which any vehicle will  
14 be operated; (3) name and motor number of any vehicle to be operated;

1 (4) the endorsement of a city official authorizing an operator under a  
2 law or ordinance requiring a license; and (5) such other information as  
3 the director may require.

4 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.72.030 and 1967 c 32 s 81 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 Application for a permit shall be forwarded to the director with a  
7 fee (~~(of five dollars)~~). Upon receipt of such application and fee, the  
8 director shall, if such application be in proper form, issue a permit  
9 authorizing the applicant to operate for hire vehicles upon the  
10 highways of this state until such owner ceases to do business as such,  
11 or until the permit is suspended or revoked. Such permit shall be  
12 displayed in a conspicuous place in the principal place of business of  
13 the owner.

14 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.72.070 and 1967 c 32 s 84 are each amended to read  
15 as follows:

16 The director shall approve and file all bonds and policies of  
17 insurance. The director shall, upon receipt of fees and after  
18 approving the bond or policy, furnish the owner with an appropriate  
19 certificate which must be carried in a conspicuous place in the vehicle  
20 at all times during for hire operation. A for hire operator shall  
21 secure a certificate for each for hire vehicle operated and pay  
22 therefor a fee (~~(of one dollar)~~) for each vehicle so registered. Such  
23 permit or certificate shall expire on June 30th of each year, and may  
24 be annually renewed upon payment of a fee (~~(of one dollar)~~).

25 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.72.080 and 1967 c 32 s 85 are each amended to read  
26 as follows:

1        In the event the owner substitutes a policy or bond after a for  
2 hire certificate has been issued, a new certificate shall be issued to  
3 the owner. The owner shall submit the substituted bond or policy to  
4 the director for approval, together with a fee (~~of one dollar~~). If  
5 the director approves the substituted policy or bond, a new certificate  
6 shall be issued. In the event any certificate has been lost, destroyed  
7 or stolen, a duplicate thereof may be obtained by filing an affidavit  
8 of loss and paying a fee (~~of fifty cents~~).

9        **Sec. 5.** RCW 46.72.120 and 1967 c 32 s 88 are each amended to read  
10 as follows:

11        The director is empowered to make and enforce such rules and  
12 regulations, including the setting of fees, as may be consistent with  
13 and necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

14        **Sec. 6.** RCW 46.72.130 and 1967 c 32 s 89 are each amended to read  
15 as follows:

16        No operator of a taxicab licensed or possessing a permit in another  
17 state to transport passengers for hire, and principally engaged as a  
18 for hire operator in another state, shall cause the operation of a  
19 taxicab upon any highway of this state without first obtaining an  
20 annual permit from the director upon an application accompanied with an  
21 annual fee (~~of twenty dollars~~) for each taxicab. The issuance of a  
22 permit shall be further conditioned upon compliance with this chapter.