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1 AN ACT Relating to motor vehicles; amending RCW 46.16.040,
2 46.16.210, and 46.30.040; and prescribing penalties.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.16.040 and 1987 c 244 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Application for original vehicle license shall be made on (~~{a}~~)
7 a form furnished for the purpose by the department. Such application
8 shall be made by the owner of the vehicle or duly authorized agent over
9 the signature of such owner or agent, and the applicant shall certify
10 that the statements therein are true to the best of the applicant's
11 knowledge. The application must show:

12 (1) Name and address of the owner of the vehicle and, if the
13 vehicle is subject to a security agreement, the name and address of the
14 secured party;

15 (2) Trade name of the vehicle, model, year, type of body, the
16 identification number thereof;

17 (3) The power to be used--whether electric, steam, gas or other
18 power;

1 (4) The purpose for which said vehicle is to be used and the nature
2 of the license required;

3 (5) The licensed gross weight for such vehicle which in the case of
4 for hire vehicles and auto stages with seating capacity of more than
5 six shall be the adult seating capacity thereof, including the
6 operator, as provided for in RCW 46.16.111. In the case of motor
7 trucks, tractors, and truck tractors, the licensed gross weight shall
8 be the gross weight declared by the applicant pursuant to the
9 provisions of RCW 46.16.111;

10 (6) The unladen weight of such vehicle, if it be a motor truck or
11 trailer, which shall be the shipping weight thereof as given by the
12 manufacturer thereof unless another weight is shown by weight slip
13 verified by a certified weighmaster, which slip shall be attached to
14 the original application;

15 (7) Proof of current insurance required by RCW 46.30.020;

16 (8) Such other information as shall be required upon such
17 application by the department.

18 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.16.210 and 1977 c 8 s 1 are each amended to read as
19 follows:

20 (1) Upon receipt of the application and proper fee for original
21 vehicle license, the director shall make a recheck of the application
22 and in the event that there is any error in the application it may be
23 returned to the county auditor or other agent to effectively secure the
24 correction of such error, who shall return the same corrected to the
25 director.

26 (2) Application for the renewal of a vehicle license shall be made
27 to the director or his agents, including county auditors, by the
28 registered owner on a form prescribed by the director. The application
29 must be accompanied by the certificate of registration for the last
30 registration period in which the vehicle was registered in Washington
31 unless the applicant submits a preprinted application mailed from
32 Olympia, and the payment of such license fees and excise tax as may be
33 required by law. Such application shall be handled in the same manner
34 and the fees transmitted to the state treasurer in the same manner as
35 in the case of an original application. Any such application which
36 upon validation becomes a renewal certificate need not have entered
37 upon it the name of the lien holder, if any, of the vehicle concerned.

1 (3) Persons expecting to be out of the state during the normal
2 forty-five day renewal period of a vehicle license may secure renewal
3 of such vehicle license for a period of thirty days prior thereto and
4 have license plates or tabs preissued by making application to the
5 director or his agents upon forms prescribed by the director. The
6 application must be accompanied by the certificate of registration for
7 the last registration period in which the vehicle was registered in
8 Washington and be accompanied by such license fees, including a special
9 handling fee of two dollars; one dollar to be retained by the issuing
10 agency, and one dollar to be deposited in the highway safety fund, and
11 excise tax as may be required by law.

12 (4) Every application for an original vehicle license or for the
13 renewal of a vehicle license must be accompanied by proof of the
14 current insurance required by RCW 46.30.020. The department of
15 licensing shall adopt rules concerning valid proof of insurance for
16 persons applying for or renewing a license.

17 (5) Application for the annual renewal of a vehicle license number
18 plate to the director or his agents shall not be required for those
19 vehicles owned, rented, or leased by the state of Washington, or by any
20 county, city, town, school district, or other political subdivision of
21 the state of Washington.

22 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.30.040 and 1991 sp.s. c 25 s 2 are each amended to
23 read as follows:

24 Any person who knowingly provides false evidence of financial
25 responsibility to a law enforcement officer (~~(or)~~), to a court, or on
26 an application for an original vehicle license or the renewal of a
27 vehicle license, including an expired or canceled insurance policy,
28 bond, or certificate of deposit is guilty of a misdemeanor.

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