

2 **ESSB 6418** - H COMM AMDS
3 By Committee on Appropriations

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5 On page 2, line 35, after "manner prescribed in" strike "(a)" and
6 insert "(d)"

7 Beginning on page 14, after line 30, strike all of section 6 and
8 insert the following:

9 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 26.23 RCW
10 to read as follows:

11 The federal personal responsibility and work opportunity
12 reconciliation act of 1996, P.L. 104-193, requires states to collect
13 social security numbers as part of the application process for
14 professional licenses, driver's licenses, occupational licenses, and
15 recreational licenses. The legislature finds that if social security
16 numbers are accessible to the public, it will be relatively easy for
17 someone to use another's social security number fraudulently to assume
18 that person's identity and gain access to bank accounts, credit
19 services, billing information, driving history, and other sources of
20 personal information. Public Law 104-193 could compound and exacerbate
21 the disturbing trend of social security number-related fraud. In order
22 to prevent fraud and curtail invasions of privacy, the governor,
23 through the department of social and health services, shall seek a
24 waiver to the federal mandate to record social security numbers on
25 applications for professional, driver's, occupational, and recreational
26 licenses. If a waiver is not granted, the licensing agencies shall
27 collect and disclose social security numbers as required under section
28 7 of this act.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** A new section is added to chapter 26.23 RCW
30 to read as follows:

31 In order to assist in child support enforcement as required by
32 federal law, all applicants for an original, replacement, or renewal of
33 a professional license, driver's license, occupational license, or
34 recreational license must furnish the licensing agency with the

1 applicant's social security number, which shall be recorded on the
2 application. The licensing agencies collecting social security numbers
3 shall not display the social security number on the license document.
4 Social security numbers collected by licensing agencies shall not be
5 disclosed except as required by state or federal law or under RCW
6 26.23.120."

7 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively, correct any internal
8 references accordingly, and correct the title.

9 EFFECT: (1) Requires state to seek a waiver from the requirement
10 regarding social security numbers, and provides that if a waiver is not
11 granted, licensing agencies will collect social security numbers from
12 applicants for original, replacement, or renewal of certain licenses;
13 prohibits agencies from disclosing numbers except as required by state
14 and federal law.
15 (2) Makes a technical correction to a cross-reference.

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