
SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5727

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By Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Wood, Haugen, Jacobsen, Hargrove, Finkbeiner, Deccio, Heavey, Goings, McAuliffe, Patterson, Prentice, Winsley, Kohl and Rasmussen)

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1 AN ACT Relating to backup alert devices on delivery trucks;
2 amending RCW 46.37.400; and providing an effective date.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.37.400 and 1977 ex.s. c 355 s 34 are each amended
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a mirror mounted on
7 the left side of the vehicle and so located to reflect to the driver a
8 view of the highway for a distance of at least two hundred feet to the
9 rear of such vehicle.

10 (2) Every motor vehicle shall be equipped with an additional mirror
11 mounted either inside the vehicle approximately in the center or
12 outside the vehicle on the right side and so located as to reflect to
13 the driver a view of the highway for a distance of at least two hundred
14 feet to the rear of such vehicle.

15 (3) Every truck registered or based in Washington that is equipped
16 with a cube-style, walk-in cargo box up to eighteen feet long used in
17 the commercial delivery of goods and services must be equipped with a
18 rear crossview mirror or backup device to alert the driver that a
19 person or object is behind the truck.

1 (4) All mirrors and backup devices required by this section shall
2 be maintained in good condition. Rear crossview mirrors and backup
3 devices will be of a type approved by the Washington state patrol.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect September 30, 1998.

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