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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2576**

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**By** House Committee on Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Representatives Hunt, Conway and Kenney; by request of Department of Licensing)

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1 AN ACT Relating to master license system fees; amending RCW  
2 19.02.030 and 19.02.075; and providing an effective date.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.02.030 and 1999 c 240 s 5 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) There is created within the department of licensing a business  
7 license center.

8 (2) The duties of the center shall include:

9 (a) Developing and administering a computerized one-stop master  
10 license system capable of storing, retrieving, and exchanging license  
11 information with due regard to privacy statutes, as well as issuing and  
12 renewing master licenses in an efficient manner;

13 (b) Providing a license information service detailing requirements  
14 to establish or engage in business in this state;

15 (c) Providing for staggered master license renewal;

16 (d) Identifying types of licenses appropriate for inclusion in the  
17 master license system;

1 (e) Recommending in reports to the governor and the legislature the  
2 elimination, consolidation, or other modification of duplicative,  
3 ineffective, or inefficient licensing or inspection requirements; and

4 (f) Incorporating licenses into the master license system.

5 (3) The director of licensing may adopt under chapter 34.05 RCW  
6 such rules as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this  
7 chapter, including the setting of fees in accordance with the fee  
8 policy established in RCW 43.24.086 until September 1, 2008.

9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 19.02.075 and 1995 c 403 s 1007 are each amended to  
10 read as follows:

11 (1) The department shall collect a handling fee (~~of fifteen~~  
12 ~~dollars on~~) from each applicant for each master application filed with  
13 the department. The (~~entire~~) master application handling fee shall  
14 be deposited in the master license fund.

15 (2) The department shall collect a handling fee (~~of nine dollars~~  
16 ~~on~~) from each licensee for each master license renewal application  
17 filed with the department. The master license renewal application  
18 handling fee(~~s~~) shall be deposited in the master license fund.

19 (3) The fees authorized by this section are application handling  
20 fees and as such are not refundable to the applicant or licensee after  
21 the respective application has been processed.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act takes effect September 1, 2002.  
23 The director of the department of licensing may take such action prior  
24 to the effective date of this act necessary to ensure rules required by  
25 section 1 of this act are effective on September 1, 2002.

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