
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5557

State of Washington

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By Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Kline, Rossi, Costa, Kastama, Shin, Johnson, Rasmussen and Thibaudeau)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the admissibility into evidence of a refusal
2 to submit to a test for alcohol or any drug; amending RCW
3 46.61.517; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.61.517 and 1987 c 373 s 5 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 The refusal of a person to submit to a test of the ((alcoholic
8 content of)) alcohol concentration and/or the presence of any drug
9 in the person's blood or breath under RCW 46.20.308 is admissible
10 into evidence at a subsequent criminal trial.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
12 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
13 the state government and its existing public institutions, and
14 takes effect immediately.

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