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SENATE BILL 6251

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By Senators Morton and Schoesler

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1            AN ACT Relating to unattended motor vehicles east of the crest of  
2 the Cascade mountains; and amending RCW 46.61.600.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.61.600 and 1980 c 97 s 2 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1)(a) No person driving or in charge of a motor vehicle shall  
7 permit it to stand unattended without first stopping the engine,  
8 locking the ignition, removing the key and effectively setting the  
9 brake thereon and, when standing upon any perceptible grade, turning  
10 the front wheels to the curb or side of the highway.

11            (b) Subsection (1)(a) of this section does not apply to unattended  
12 motor vehicles east of the crest of the Cascade mountains from November  
13 15th to March 31st.

14            (2) The most recent driver of a motor vehicle which the driver has  
15 left standing unattended, who learns that the vehicle has become set in  
16 motion and has struck another vehicle or property, or has caused injury  
17 to any person, shall comply with the requirements of:

18            (a) RCW 46.52.010 if his vehicle strikes an unattended vehicle or  
19 property adjacent to a public highway; or

1           (b) RCW 46.52.020 if his vehicle causes damage to an attended  
2 vehicle or other property or injury to any person.

3           (3) Any person failing to comply with subsection (2)(b) of this  
4 section shall be subject to the sanctions set forth in RCW 46.52.020.

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