

**SHB 1289 - H AMD 238**

By Representative Van De Wege

**WITHDRAWN 3/13/2007**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter  
4 46.20 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) The department may enter into a memorandum of understanding  
6 with any federal agency for the purposes of facilitating the  
7 crossing of the border between the state of Washington and the  
8 Canadian province of British Columbia.

9 (2) The department may enter into an agreement with the  
10 Canadian province of British Columbia for the purposes of  
11 implementing a border-crossing initiative.

12 (3)(a) The department may issue an enhanced driver's license or  
13 identicard for the purposes of crossing the border between the  
14 state of Washington and the Canadian province of British Columbia  
15 to an applicant who provides the department with proof of: United  
16 States citizenship, identity, and state residency. The department  
17 shall continue to offer a standard driver's license and identicard.  
18 If the department chooses to issue an enhanced driver's license,  
19 the department must allow each applicant to choose between a  
20 standard driver's license or identicard, or an enhanced driver's  
21 license or identicard.

22 (b) The department shall implement a one-to-many biometric  
23 matching system for the enhanced driver's license or identicard. An  
24 applicant for an enhanced driver's license or identicard shall  
25 submit a biometric identifier as designated by the department. The  
26 biometric identifier must be used solely for the purpose of  
27 verifying the identity of the holders and for any purpose set out  
28 in RCW 46.20.037. Applicants are required to sign a declaration  
29 acknowledging their understanding of the one-to-many biometric  
30 match.

1 (c) The enhanced driver's license or identicard must include  
2 reasonable security measures to protect the privacy of Washington  
3 state residents, including reasonable safeguards to protect against  
4 unauthorized disclosure of data about Washington state residents.  
5 If the enhanced driver's license or identicard includes a radio  
6 frequency identification chip, or similar technology, the  
7 department shall ensure that the technology is encrypted or  
8 otherwise secure from unauthorized data access.

9 (d) The requirements of this subsection are in addition to the  
10 requirements otherwise imposed on applicants for a driver's license  
11 or identicard. The department shall adopt such rules as necessary  
12 to meet the requirements of this subsection. From time to time the  
13 department shall review technological innovations related to the  
14 security of identity cards and amend the rules related to enhanced  
15 driver's licenses and identicards as the director deems consistent  
16 with this section and appropriate to protect the privacy of  
17 Washington state residents.

18 (e) Notwithstanding RCW 46.20.118, the department may make  
19 images associated with enhanced drivers' licenses or identicards  
20 from the negative file available to United States customs and  
21 border agents for the purposes of verifying identity.

22 (4) The department may set a fee for the issuance of enhanced  
23 drivers' licenses and identicards under this section.

24 (5) The border crossing initiative authorized by this act must  
25 be consistent with the requirements of the federal REAL ID Act of  
26 2005, P.L. 109-13.

27 (6) The department may not enter into a memorandum of  
28 understanding with any federal agency for the purposes of  
29 facilitating the crossing of the border between the state of  
30 Washington and the Canadian province of British Columbia until:

31 (a) The federal department of homeland security agrees to delay  
32 the enforcement of the western hemisphere travel initiative until  
33 twelve months after the completion of the border crossing  
34 initiative authorized by this act; and

35 (b) Agreement is reached between the department and British  
36 Columbia on the technology to be used for the secure driver's  
37 licenses and identicards, and a timeline for implementation on both  
38 borders is established and agreed to.

1 (7) The department shall develop and implement an educational  
2 campaign to educate Washington citizens about the border crossing  
3 initiative authorized by this act. The educational campaign must:

4 (a) Include information on how the enhanced driver's license or  
5 identicard can be used for all forms of travel;

6 (b) State that the existing Washington state driver's license  
7 and identicard will be valid for travel during the border crossing  
8 initiative pilot project; and

9 (c) Explain that the border crossing initiative is being  
10 implemented in anticipation of the federal REAL ID Act of 2005,  
11 P.L. 109-13 and the western hemisphere travel initiative.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of  
13 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not  
14 provided by June 30, 2007, in the omnibus transportation  
15 appropriations act, this act is null and void.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of  
18 the state government and its existing public institutions, and  
19 takes effect immediately."

20 Correct the title.

**EFFECT:** Requires that the border crossing initiative be  
consistent with the requirements of the federal REAL ID Act.

Prohibits the department from entering into a memorandum of  
understanding with a federal agency for a border crossing  
initiative until:

- The federal department of homeland security agrees to delay  
the enforcement of the western hemisphere travel initiative  
until twelve months after the completion of the border  
crossing initiative; and
- Agreement is reached between the department and British  
Columbia on the technology to be used for the secure driver's  
licenses and identicards and a timeline for implementation.

The department must implement an educational campaign, which  
must:

- Include information on how the enhanced driver's license or  
identicard can be used for all forms of travel;
- State that the existing Washington state driver's licenses  
and identicards will be valid during the pilot project; and

- Explain that the border crossing initiative is being implemented in anticipation of the federal REAL ID Act and the western hemisphere travel initiative.