
SENATE BILL 5851

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By Senator Haugen

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1 AN ACT Relating to repealing the model traffic ordinance; creating
2 new sections; repealing RCW 46.90.005 and 46.90.010; and providing an
3 effective date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes that district and
6 municipal courts have jurisdiction to hear and determine traffic
7 infractions that are violations of state law. To promote highway
8 safety and uniform traffic laws within this state, the legislature
9 encourages city, town, and county governments to cite to and use state
10 law when adjudicating civil and criminal traffic violations. It is not
11 the legislature's intent to deny any local authority its legislative
12 power, but rather to enhance safe and efficient movement of traffic
13 throughout the state by promoting uniform traffic laws.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The following acts or parts of acts, as now
15 existing or hereafter amended, are each repealed effective June 30,
16 2012:

17 (1) RCW 46.90.005 (Purpose) and 1993 c 400 s 1 & 1975 1st ex.s. c
18 54 s 1; and

1 (2) RCW 46.90.010 (Adoption of model traffic ordinance--Amendments)
2 and 1993 c 400 s 2 & 1975 1st ex.s. c 54 s 2.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The department of licensing shall notify
4 local governments that the department's rules regarding the model
5 traffic ordinance will be repealed as a result of this act.

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