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By Committee on Transportation

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

- 3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The Washington state patrol must
4 convene a stakeholder work group to analyze and develop options for
5 addressing the temporary use of cargo carrying devices, the laws
6 governing license plate visibility, and any officer and public safety
7 issues with allowing the rear license plate to be blocked by these
8 devices. At a minimum, a representative from each of the following
9 groups must be invited to participate: The Washington association of
10 sheriffs and police chiefs; a bicycle advocacy organization; an
11 advocacy organization supporting the rights of persons with a
12 disability; and the department of licensing.
- 13 (2) The work group must provide a recommendation on how to
14 address temporary use of cargo carrying devices that block the
15 license plate to the transportation committees of the legislature by
16 December 1, 2020.
- 17 (3) This section expires June 30, 2021."

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18 On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "devices;" strike the
19 remainder of the title and insert "creating a new section; and
20 providing an expiration date."

EFFECT: (1) Removes the language authorizing the temporary
obstruction of a license plate by a cargo carrying device.

(2) Requires the Washington State Patrol to convene a work group
to develop policy options for the temporary use of a cargo carrying
device that address concerns with officer and public safety. A report

with any recommendations is due to the legislature by December 1, 2020.

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