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By Representatives Jacobsen and Graham

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1 AN ACT Relating to protecting privacy of addresses related to
2 vehicle registration certificates; adding a new section to chapter
3 46.09 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 88.02 RCW; and creating a
4 new section.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that printing
7 addresses on vehicle registrations provides an opportunity for
8 thieves that break into vehicles to use the information for nefarious
9 purposes that can be avoided if the address is not printed on the
10 vehicle registration certificate.

11 (2) Furthermore, law enforcement agencies have access to
12 databases that include the vehicle registrant's address so such
13 information does not need to be printed on paper vehicle registration
14 certificates.

15 (3) In order to reduce criminal opportunities, the legislature
16 directs the department of licensing to no longer print addresses on
17 vehicle, trailer, and vessel registration certificates.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 46.09
19 RCW to read as follows:

1 Beginning January 1, 2023, paper issued registration certificates
2 for vehicles or trailers must not include the residential address of
3 the registrant.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 88.02
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 Beginning January 1, 2023, paper issued registration certificates
7 for vessels must not include a residential address of the registrant.

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