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**SENATE BILL 5739**

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**By** Senators Fortunato, Salomon, and Wagoner

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1 AN ACT Relating to providing funds primarily for the cleanup of  
2 large debris litter along state highways; amending RCW 70A.205.430;  
3 and adding new sections to chapter 70A.205 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70A.205  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) There is levied a \$1 per tire fee on the retail sale of  
8 retreaded vehicle tires. The fee imposed in this section must be paid  
9 by the buyer to the seller, and each seller shall collect from the  
10 buyer the full amount of the fee. The fee collected from the buyer by  
11 the seller less the 10 percent amount retained by the seller as  
12 provided in RCW 70A.205.430(1) must be paid to the department of  
13 revenue in accordance with RCW 82.32.045.

14 (2) The department of revenue shall incorporate into the agency's  
15 regular audit cycle a reconciliation of the number of tires sold and  
16 the amount of revenue collected by the businesses selling retreaded  
17 vehicle tires at retail. The department of revenue shall collect on  
18 the business excise tax return from the businesses selling retreaded  
19 vehicle tires at retail:

- 20 (a) The number of tires sold; and  
21 (b) The fee levied in this section.

1 (3) All other applicable provisions of chapter 82.32 RCW have  
2 full force and application with respect to the fee imposed under this  
3 section. The department of revenue shall administer this section.

4 (4) All receipts from the tire fee imposed under this section  
5 must be deposited in the large debris litter account created under  
6 section 2 of this act.

7 (5) For the purposes of this section, "retreaded vehicle tires"  
8 does not include tires that are newly manufactured for vehicle  
9 purposes.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 70A.205  
11 RCW to read as follows:

12 The large debris litter account is created in the state treasury.  
13 All receipts from the tire fee imposed under section 1 of this act  
14 must be deposited into the account. Moneys in the account may be  
15 spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be  
16 used only for the cleanup of large debris litter along state  
17 highways, and then for general litter control activities along state  
18 highways should any moneys remain in the account.

19 **Sec. 3.** RCW 70A.205.430 and 2020 c 20 s 1193 are each amended to  
20 read as follows:

21 (1) Every person engaged in making retail sales of new  
22 replacement vehicle tires, or of retreaded vehicle tires, in this  
23 state shall retain ten percent of the collected one dollar fee. The  
24 moneys retained may be used for costs associated with the proper  
25 management of the waste vehicle tires by the retailer.

26 (2) The department of ecology will administer the funds for the  
27 purposes specified in RCW 70A.205.010(6) including, but not limited  
28 to:

29 (a) Making grants to local governments for pilot demonstration  
30 projects for on-site shredding and recycling of tires from  
31 unauthorized dump sites;

32 (b) Grants to local government for enforcement programs;

33 (c) Implementation of a public information and education program  
34 to include posters, signs, and informational materials to be  
35 distributed to retail tire sales and tire service outlets;

1 (d) Product marketing studies for recycled tires and alternatives  
2 to land disposal.

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