CHAPTER 202.
[Substitute House Bill No. 345.]

MOTOR VEHICLES— LICENSING.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles and the licensing thereof; providing for identifying decals for certain farm vehicles in lieu of the licensing thereof and prescribing fees therefor; providing for temporary licensing of certain motor vehicles; and exempting certain purchasers of the same from imposition of certain taxes; amending section 46.16.010, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 51, chapter 3, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session and RCW 46.16.010; adding five new sections to chapter 12, Laws of 1961 and to chapter 46.04 RCW.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. "Farm vehicle" means any vehicle other than a farm tractor or farm implement which is designed and/or used primarily in agricultural pursuits on farms for the purpose of transporting machinery, equipment, implements, farm products, supplies and/or farm labor thereon and is only incidentally operated on or moved along public highways for the purpose of going from one farm to another.

Sec. 2. Section 46.16.010, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 51, chapter 3, Laws of 1963 extraordinary session and RCW 46.16.010 are each amended to read as follows:

It shall be unlawful for a person to operate any vehicle over and along a public highway of this state without first having obtained and having in full force and effect a current and proper vehicle license number plates therefor as by this chapter provided: Provided, That these provisions shall not apply to farm vehicle as defined in section 1 of this 1967 amendatory act if operated within a radius of fifteen miles of the farm where principally used or garaged, farm tractors and farm implements includ-
ing trailers designed as cook or bunkhouses used exclusively for animal herding temporarily operating or drawn upon the public highways, and trailers used exclusively to transport farm implements from one farm to another during the daylight hours or at night when such equipment has lights that comply with the law: Provided further, That these provisions shall not apply to equipment defined as follows:

"Special highway construction equipment" is any vehicle which is designed and used primarily for grading of highways, paving of highways, earth moving, and other construction work on highways and which is not designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons or property on a public highway and which is only incidentally operated or moved over the highway. It includes, but is not limited to, road construction and maintenance machinery so designed and used such as portable air compressors, air drills, asphalt spreaders, bituminous mixers, bucket loaders, track laying tractors, ditches, leveling graders, finishing machines, motor graders, paving mixers, road rollers, scarifiers, earth moving scrapers and carryalls, lighting plants, welders, pumps, power shovels and draglines, self-propelled and tractor-drawn earth moving equipment and machinery, including dump trucks and tractor-dump trailer combinations which either (1) are in excess of the legal width or (2) which, because of their length, height or unladen weight, may not be moved on a public highway without the permit specified in RCW 46.44.090 and which are not operated laden except within the boundaries of the project limits as defined by the contract, and other similar types of construction equipment, or (3) which are driven or moved upon a public highway only for the purpose of crossing such highway from one property to another, provided such movement
does not exceed five hundred feet and the vehicle is equipped with wheels or pads which will not damage the roadway surface.

Exclusions:

“Special highway construction equipment” does not include any of the following:

(a) Dump trucks originally designed to comply with the legal size and weight provisions of this code notwithstanding any subsequent modification which would require a permit, as specified in RCW 46.44.090, to operate such vehicles on a public highway, including trailers, truck-mounted transit mixers, cranes and shovels, or other vehicles designed for the transportation of persons or property to which machinery has been attached.

Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 12, Laws of 1961 and to chapter 46.16 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Before any “farm vehicle”, as defined in section 1 of this amendatory act, shall operate on or move along a public highway, there shall be displayed upon it in a conspicuous manner a decal or other device, as may be prescribed by the director of motor vehicles and issued by the department of motor vehicles, which shall describe in some manner the vehicle and identify it as a vehicle exempt from the licensing requirements of this chapter. Application for such identifying devices shall be made to the department on a form furnished for that purpose by the director. Such application shall be made by the owner or lessee of the vehicle, or his duly authorized agent over the signature of such owner or agent, and he shall certify that the statements therein are true to the best of his knowledge. The application must show:

(1) The name and address of the owner of the vehicle;
(2) The trade name of the vehicle, model, year, type of body, the motor number or the identification number thereof if such vehicle be a motor vehicle, or the serial number thereof if such vehicle be a trailer;

(3) The purpose for which said vehicle is to be principally used;

(4) Such other information as shall be required upon such application by the director; and

(5) Place where farm vehicle is principally used or garaged.

A fee of five dollars shall be charged for and submitted with such application for an identification decal as in this section provided as to each farm vehicle which fee shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund and distributed proportionately as otherwise provided for vehicle license fees under RCW 46.68.030. Only one application need be made as to each such vehicle, and the status as an exempt vehicle shall continue until suspended or revoked for misuse, or when such vehicle no longer is used as a farm vehicle.

Sec. 4. Upon the payment of a fee of ten dollars therefor, the department of motor vehicles shall issue a temporary motor vehicle license for a motor vehicle in this state for a period of forty-five days when such motor vehicle has been or is being purchased by a non-resident member of the armed forces of the United States and an application, accompanied with prepayment of required fees, for out of state registration has been made by the purchaser.

Sec. 5. The temporary license provided for in section 4 of this act shall be carried on the interior of the motor vehicle in such a way as to be clearly visible from outside the vehicle.
Sec. 6. The original purchaser of a motor vehicle, for which a temporary license as provided in section 4 of this act has been issued, shall not be subject to the sales tax, use tax, or motor vehicle excise tax during the effective period of such license or thereafter unless the motor vehicle, after the effective period of such license, is still in this state or within a period of one year after the effective period of such license is returned to this state.

Sec. 7. The department of motor vehicles shall prescribe rules and regulations governing the administration of this act. The department may require that adequate proof of the facts asserted in the application for a temporary license shall be made before the temporary license shall be granted.

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CHAPTER 203.
[Engrossed House Bill No. 5.]

CIVIL DEFENSE—SEARCH AND RESCUE.

AN ACT relating to civil defense; providing for coordination of search and rescue operations and the appointment of a state coordinator of search and rescue operations; amending section 3, chapter 178, Laws of 1951 as amended by section 2, chapter 223, Laws of 1953, and RCW 38.52.010; amending section 2, chapter 178, Laws of 1951 as amended by section 1, chapter 223, Laws of 1953 and RCW 38.52.020; and amending section 4, chapter 178, Laws of 1951, and RCW 38.52.030.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 178, Laws of 1951, as amended by section 2, chapter 223, Laws of 1953, and RCW 38.52.010 are each amended to read as follows:

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