CHAPTER 51
[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2141]
SCHOOLS FOR THE BLIND AND DEAF—STUDENTS' VACATION, WEEKEND TRAVEL EXPENSES
AN ACT Relating to schools for the blind and deaf; amending section 72.40.090, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 and RCW 72.40.090.

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

Section 1. Section 72.40.090, chapter 28, Laws of 1959 and RCW 72.40.090 are each amended to read as follows:

If it appears to the satisfaction of the board of county commissioners that the parents of any such blind or deaf youth within their county are unable to bear the expense of transportation to and from the state schools, it shall send them to and return them from the schools or maintain them there during vacation at the expense of the county. Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting the department from authorizing or incurring such travel expenses for the purpose of transporting such blind or deaf youth to and from points within this state during weekends and/or vacation periods. For the purposes of this act, the department shall impose no conditions upon parents or guardians specifying the number of weekends such persons shall take custody of deaf and blind students.

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Passed the House March 10, 1975.
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CHAPTER 52
[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2080]
MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES AND FEES—LIABILITY FOR DISHONORED CHECKS—NONSURRENDER OF CANCELLED LICENSES, PENALTIES
AN ACT Relating to motor vehicles; amending section 44, chapter 170, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 46.01.230; and prescribing a penalty; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 44, chapter 170, Laws of 1965 ex. sess. and RCW 46.01.230 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The department of motor vehicles is authorized to accept checks and money orders for payment of drivers' licenses, certificates of ownership and registration, motor vehicle excise taxes, gross weight fees and other fees and taxes collected by the department, in accordance with regulations adopted by the director. The director's regulations shall duly provide for the public's convenience consistent with sound business practice and shall encourage the annual renewal of vehicle registrations by mail to the department, authorizing checks and money orders for payment. Such regulations shall contain provisions for cancellation of any registrations, licenses or permits paid for by checks or money orders which are not duly paid and for the necessary accounting procedures in such cases: PROVIDED, That any bona fide purchaser for value of a vehicle shall not be liable or responsible for any prior uncollected taxes and fees paid, pursuant to this
section, by a check which has subsequently been dishonored: AND PROVIDED
FURTHER, That no transfer of ownership of a vehicle shall be denied to a bona
fide purchaser for value of a vehicle if there are outstanding uncollected fees or
taxes for which a predecessor paid, pursuant to this section, by check which has
subsequently been dishonored nor shall the new owner be required to pay any fee
for replacement vehicle license number plates that may be required pursuant to
RCW 46.16.270.

(2) Any person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor who shall fail to surrender
within ten days to the department or any authorized agent of the department any
certificate, license or permit after being notified by certified mail that such certifi-
cate, license or permit has been cancelled pursuant to this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This amendatory act is necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state gov-
ernment and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate March 12, 1975.
Passed the House March 7, 1975.
Approved by the Governor March 27, 1975.
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CHAPTER 53
[House Bill No. 279]
ADOPTION OF HARD TO PLACE CHILDREN

AN ACT Relating to adoptions; amending section 3, chapter 63, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. as amended by
section 1, chapter 61, Laws of 1973 and RCW 74.13.106; and repealing section 16, chapter 63,
Laws of 1971 ex. sess., section 2, chapter 61, Laws of 1973 and RCW 74.13.142; and declaring an
emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 3, chapter 63, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. as amended by section
1, chapter 61, Laws of 1973 and RCW 74.13.106 are each amended to read as
follows:

All fees paid for adoption services pursuant to RCW 26.32.115 and 74.13.100
through 74.13.145 ((during the 1971-1973 and 1973-1975 fiscal bienniums)) shall
be credited to an adoption support account, hereby created, in the general fund.
Expenses incurred in connection with supporting the adoption of hard to place
children shall be paid by warrants drawn against such account. The secretary may
also from time to time transfer to such account from appropriations available to
him for care of children in foster homes and child-caring institutions such sums as
in his judgment will ((enable him to carry out a pilot project to demonstrate the
value of a program of adoption support. In carrying out such pilot project the
secretary is authorized to use the funds made available to him pursuant to RCW
26.32.115 and 74.13.100 through 74.13.145, or, in his discretion, any portion
thereof, to formulate, approve, implement or otherwise act pursuant to RCW 74-
46.16.270, to develop and set up a pilot adoption support project at such level as he
deems appropriate, consistent with the purposes set forth in RCW 74.13.160)) fur-
ther the purposes set forth in RCW 74.13.100. The secretary ((may develop and
approve such a project whether formulated within or outside the department,