(3) The mandatory emergency provisions of RCW 75.20.100 for the purposes of this act may be initiated by the county legislative authority: PROVIDED, That the project is necessary to provide protection from flood hazards to human life and/or to reduce or prevent flood damages or destruction of property, including:
   (a) Flood fight measures necessary to provide protection during a flood event; or
   (b) Measures necessary to reduce or eliminate a potential flood threat when other alternative measures are not available or cannot be completed prior to the expected flood threat season; or
   (c) Measures which must be initiated and completed within an immediate period of time and for which processing of the request through normal methods would cause a delay to the project and such delay would significantly increase the potential for damages from a flood event.

This section expires on June 30, 1984.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. A select committee shall be appointed for oversight of Mt. St. Helens recovery operations consisting of six members from the senate, to be appointed by the president, and six members of the house of representatives, to be appointed by the speaker. The committee shall report to the legislature at the beginning of each regular session.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. There is appropriated from the general fund to the department of transportation one million dollars for the required acquisition and related incidental expenses thereto or that portion of the required acquisition that can be accomplished with the funds appropriated herein.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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CHAPTER 8
[Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 3549]
MOTOR VEHICLE IMPOUNDMENT—UNLICENSED DRIVERS
AN ACT Relating to motor vehicles; and adding a new section to chapter 46.20 RCW.
NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 46.20 RCW a new section to read as follows:

(1) Upon determining that a person is operating a motor vehicle without a valid driver's license in violation of RCW 46.20.021 or with a license that has been expired for ninety days or more, or with a suspended or revoked license in violation of RCW 46.20.342 or 46.20.420, a law enforcement officer may immediately impound the vehicle which the person is operating.

(2) If the driver of the vehicle is the owner of the vehicle, the department shall not release the vehicle impounded under subsection (1) of this section until the owner of the vehicle:

(a) Establishes to the department that any penalties, fines, or forfeitures owed by the person driving the vehicle when it was impounded have been satisfied; and

(b) Pays to the person who impounded and stored the vehicle the reasonable costs of such impoundment and storage.

(3) If the driver of the vehicle is not the owner of the vehicle, the driver shall be responsible for any penalties, fines, or forfeitures owed or due and for the costs of impoundment and storage. The vehicle shall be released to the owner upon proof of such ownership.

(4) The department shall adopt such rules as are necessary for the administration of this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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