

The registration numbers and special license plates assigned to such motor vehicles shall run in a separate numerical series, commencing with "Horseless Carriage No. 1." The plates shall be of a distinguishing color.

In the event of defacement, loss, or destruction of such special plate, the owner shall apply for a replacement plate in the same manner as prescribed by law for the replacement of regular plates.

All fees collected under this section shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the motor vehicle fund.

Sec. 2. Section 46.37.500, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as amended by section 41, chapter 355, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 46.37.500 are each amended to read as follows:

~~((No person shall))~~ (1) Except as authorized under subsection (2) of this section, no person may operate any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer that is not equipped with fenders, covers, flaps, or splash aprons adequate for minimizing the spray or splash of water or mud from the roadway to the rear of the vehicle. All such devices shall be as wide as the tires behind which they are mounted and extend downward at least to the center of the axle.

(2) A motor vehicle that is not less than forty years old and is owned and operated primarily as a collector's item need not be equipped with fenders when the vehicle is used and driven during fair weather on well-maintained, hard-surfaced roads.

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CHAPTER 16

[Substitute Senate Bill No. 5147]

PUBLIC UTILITY AND TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS—REVERSIONARY INTERESTS

AN ACT Relating to public utility and transportation corridors; and amending RCW 64.04.180 and 64.04.190.

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

Sec. 1. Section 22, chapter 143, Laws of 1984 and RCW 64.04.180 are each amended to read as follows:

Railroad properties, including but not limited to rights-of-way, land held in fee and used for railroad operations, bridges, tunnels, and other facilities, are declared to be suitable for public use upon cessation of railroad operations on the properties. It is in the public interest of the state of Washington that such properties retain their character as public utility and transportation corridors, and that they may be made available for public

uses including highways, other forms of mass transportation, conservation, energy production or transmission, or recreation. Nothing in this section or in RCW 64.04.190 authorizes a public agency or utility to acquire reversionary interests in public utility and transportation corridors without payment of just compensation.

Sec. 2. Section 23, chapter 143, Laws of 1984 and RCW 64.04.190 are each amended to read as follows:

~~((f))~~ Public utility and transportation corridors are railroad properties ~~((a))~~ (1) on which railroad operations have ceased; ~~((b))~~ (2) that have been found suitable for public use by an order of the Interstate Commerce Commission of the United States; and ~~((c))~~ (3) that have been acquired by purchase, lease, donation, exchange, or other agreement by the state, one of its political subdivisions, or a public utility.

~~((2) A public utility and transportation corridor retains its public use character as long as it is owned by a public agency or utility. A public utility and transportation corridor is not subject to reversion, taking by adverse possession, or any similar property interests ripening on the cessation of railroad operations:))~~

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CHAPTER 17

[House Bill No. 1531]

SUNSET REVIEW

AN ACT Relating to redefining the standards for sunset review of a regulatory entity and extending the duration of the sunset review process; and amending RCW 43.131.060 and 43.131.900.

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

Sec. 1. Section 6, chapter 289, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 43.131.060 are each amended to read as follows:

In conducting the review of a regulatory entity, the legislative budget committee shall consider, but not be limited to, the following factors where applicable:

(1) ~~((The extent to which the regulatory entity has permitted qualified applicants to serve the public;~~

(2) ~~The extent to which the regulatory entity restricts or inhibits competition or otherwise adversely affects the state's economic climate;~~

(3) ~~The extent to which the system of regulation has contributed directly or indirectly to increasing or decreasing the costs of any goods or services involved;~~