

## CHAPTER 52

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3233]

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT REPORTS—LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS,  
FIRE FIGHTERS

AN ACT Relating to motor vehicles; and amending section 46.52.120, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 83, chapter 136, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 46.52.120.

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

Section 1. Section 46.52.120, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 83, chapter 136, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 46.52.120 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) It shall be the duty of the director to keep a case record on every motor vehicle driver licensed under the laws of this state, together with information on each, showing all the convictions and findings of traffic infractions certified by the courts and an index cross reference record of each accident reported relating to such individuals with a brief statement of the cause of such accident, which index cross reference record shall be furnished to the director by the chief of the Washington state patrol, with reference to each driver involved in the reported accidents.

(2) The case record shall be maintained in two parts.

(a) One part shall be the employment driving record of the person which shall include all motor vehicle accidents in which the person is involved while the person is driving a commercial motor vehicle as an employee of another, all convictions of the person for violation of the motor vehicle laws while the person is driving a commercial motor vehicle as an employee of another, and all findings that the person has committed a traffic infraction while the person is driving a commercial motor vehicle as an employee of another. The same reports shall be entered when the person is a law enforcement officer or firefighter as defined in RCW 41.26.030, or a state patrol officer, and is driving an official police, state patrol, or fire department vehicle in the course of their official duties.

(b) The other part shall include all other accidents, convictions, and findings that the person has committed a traffic infraction.

(3) Such records shall be for the confidential use of the director and the chief of the Washington state patrol and for such police officers or other cognizant public officials as may be designated by law. Such case records shall not be offered as evidence in any court except in case appeal is taken from the order of director, suspending, revoking, canceling, or refusing vehicle driver's license.

(4) It shall be the duty of the director to tabulate and analyze vehicle driver's case records and to suspend, revoke, cancel, or refuse any vehicle driver's license to any person when it is deemed from facts contained in the

case record of such person that it is for the best interest of public safety that such person be denied the privilege of operating a motor vehicle. Whenever the director may order the vehicle driver's license of any such person suspended, revoked, or canceled, or shall refuse the issuance of vehicle driver's license, such suspension, revocation, cancellation, or refusal shall be final and effective unless appeal from the decision of the director shall be taken as provided by law.

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Passed the House March 6, 1982.

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## CHAPTER 53

[Senate Bill No. 3495]

### EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS—CERTIFICATION PERIOD

AN ACT Relating to emergency medical technicians; and amending section 11, chapter 208, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 11, chapter 261, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 18.73.110.

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

Section 1. Section 11, chapter 208, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. as amended by section 11, chapter 261, Laws of 1979 ex. sess. and RCW 18.73.110 are each amended to read as follows:

The secretary shall specify the level of knowledge required to qualify as an emergency medical technician and shall issue a certificate of qualification to those eligible applicants who pass a written and practical examination given under the secretary's direction, or who provide proof of having graduated, with satisfactory performance, from a course of instruction, of not less than eighty hours, approved by the secretary. Reciprocity may be arranged, in granting emergency medical technician certificates, with a national certifying organization whose standards are at least equal to those established by the secretary.

The certificate shall be valid for a period of ~~((two))~~ three years and may be renewed at expiration upon proof that the holder has met postcertification, continuing education requirements adopted by the secretary and upon passing an examination approved by the secretary (~~((PROVIDED, That in cities having a population of four hundred thousand or more such certificates shall be valid for a period of three years))~~).

Passed the Senate February 9, 1982.

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