

First of all, according to the state Division of Banking, neither the Federal Reserve System nor the Comptroller of the Currency maintains anything call a "watch list" as referenced in section 56. The various regulatory agencies differentiate the degree of supervisory concern among the banks they supervise based on a number of factors. Thus, the federal information referenced as a "watch list" is ambiguous.

Moreover, proposed sections 55, 56 and 57 would undercut the essential cooperation needed between federal and state bank regulatory agencies with the onset of interstate banking and a rapidly-changing banking industry. The state's Division of Banking relies on the information it receives from the federal regulatory agencies on the basis of strict confidentiality. Without this confidentiality, which would be the effect of proposed sections 55, 56 and 57, the federal agencies would undoubtedly stop sharing bank regulatory information with the state.

Finally, one of the goals of our bank regulatory system is to closely supervise those institutions that are experiencing difficulty in order to restore their soundness and avert their closure. To make public any listing of financial institutions which may be experiencing difficulties would greatly, and perhaps needlessly, undermine public confidence in those institutions. Such an erosion of public confidence would undoubtedly cause some depositors to withdraw their funds, thereby exacerbating the bank's difficulties. This would be an unintended effect of sections 55, 56 and 57.

Therefore, with the exception of sections 55, 56 and 57, Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill No. 4917 is approved."

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## CHAPTER 280

[Senate Bill No. 4675]

### CENTENNIAL LICENSE PLATES

AN ACT Relating to motor vehicle license plates; amending RCW 46.16.270; adding a new section to chapter 27.60 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 46.16 RCW; and repealing RCW 46.16.275.

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

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 46.16 RCW to read as follows:

In order to help publicize and commemorate the state's 1989 anniversary celebration of its admission to the Union, a new centennial design shall be developed by the department for vehicle license plates that uses reflectorized materials necessary to provide adequate visibility and legibility at night.

The centennial plates shall be developed in cooperation with the design selection committee appointed by the director. The committee shall include representation from the Washington centennial commission.

Registration numbers and letters for the centennial plate shall be assigned by the department in accordance with established procedures. Distribution of the centennial license plates shall commence January 1, 1987, to all new vehicle registrations and license plate replacements. In addition, the centennial plate shall be available for purchase by all other vehicle owners at the owner's option.

Revenues generated from the centennial plate shall go in part to support local and state centennial activities as provided in section 2 of this act.

In addition to the basic fees for new vehicle registrations provided in RCW 46.16.060, persons purchasing centennial plates shall pay an additional fee of one dollar per plate to be distributed as follows: From January 1, 1987, through June 30, 1989, one-half of the fee shall be deposited in the centennial commission account of the general fund, and the remainder shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund. Commencing July 1, 1989, the total one dollar per plate fee shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund.

**\*NEW SECTION.** Sec. 2. A fleet shall qualify for centennial plates to be issued in consecutive order if available. *A fleet shall be defined for purposes of the RCW as a group of five vehicles or more registered in the same name and whose owner has been assigned a fleet identifier code by the department of licensing.*

\*Sec. 2 was partially vetoed, see message at end of chapter.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 27.60 RCW to read as follows:

In support of centennial activities of the centennial commission, and as provided for in section 1 of this act, revenues shall be made available by appropriation to the centennial commission. One-half of the moneys so provided shall be distributed to counties in the state for use by their respective county centennial commissions or committees. Distribution of such moneys shall be made by the 1989 Washington centennial commission according to rules adopted by the commission. The rules shall provide for distribution to the respective counties on the basis of the number of centennial plates issued to residents in those counties, with minimum amounts established to be distributed to those counties with small populations, regardless of the number of centennial plates issued.

The remaining one-half of the moneys shall be used for funding projects deemed to be of state-wide significance by the centennial commission in accordance with rules adopted by the commission.

This section shall expire on December 31, 1993. Any funds remaining in the centennial commission account on that date shall revert to the general fund.

Sec. 4. Section 46.16.270, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 7, chapter 169, Laws of 1975 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.270 are each amended to read as follows:

Upon the loss, defacement, or destruction of one or both of the vehicle license number plates issued for any vehicle where more than one plate was originally issued or where one or both have become so illegible or in such a condition as to be difficult to distinguish, or upon the owner's option, the owner of the vehicle shall make application for new vehicle license number plates upon a form furnished by the director, upon which form it shall be required that the owner, if appropriate and in addition to other requirements, make a complete statement as to the cause of the loss, defacement,

or destruction of the original plate or plates, which statement shall be subscribed and sworn to before a notary public or other person authorized to certify to statements upon vehicle license applications. Such application shall be filed with the director or ~~((his))~~ the director's authorized agent, accompanied by the certificate of license registration of the vehicle and a fee in the amount of ~~((four))~~ three dollars per plate, whereupon the director, or ~~((his))~~ the director's authorized agent, shall issue new vehicle license number plates to the applicant. It shall be accompanied by a fee of two dollars ~~((for a new vehicle license number plate where only one was originally issued and one dollar))~~ for a new motorcycle license number plate. In the event the director has issued license period tabs or a windshield emblem instead of vehicle license number plates, and upon the loss, defacement, or destruction of ~~((said))~~ the tabs or windshield emblem, application shall be made on a form provided by the director and in the same manner as above described, and shall be accompanied by a fee of one dollar for each pair of tabs or for each windshield emblem, whereupon the director shall issue to the applicant a duplicate pair of tabs or a windshield emblem to replace those lost, defaced, or destroyed ~~((:PROVIDED, That))~~. For those vehicles owned, rented, or leased by the state of Washington or by any county, city, town, school district, or other political subdivision of the state of Washington or United States government, a fee shall be charged for replacement of a vehicle license number plate only to the extent required by the provisions of RCW 46.16.020, 46.16.061, 46.16.237, and 46.01.140 ~~((:PROVIDED FURTHER, That))~~. For those vehicles owned, rented, or leased by foreign countries or international bodies to which the United States government is a signatory by treaty, the payment of any fee for the replacement of a vehicle license number plate shall not be required.

NEW SECTION, Sec. 5. Section 1, chapter 72, Laws of 1983, section 1, chapter 62, Laws of 1984 and RCW 46.16.275 are each repealed.

Passed the Senate March 9, 1986.

Passed the House March 4, 1986.

Approved by the Governor April 3, 1986, with the exception of certain items which are vetoed.

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Note: Governor's explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith, without my approval as to the second sentence of section 2, Senate Bill No. 4675, entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to motor vehicle license plates."

Senate Bill No. 4675 would authorize the Director of the Department of Licensing to develop and issue a new centennial motor vehicle plate.

Section 2 permits a fleet of motor vehicles to apply for consecutive centennial license plates if they are available. The second sentence of this section defines a fleet of motor vehicles as a group of five or more vehicles registered in the same name and whose owner has been assigned a fleet identifier code by the Department. Currently, a fleet is defined as fifteen or more vehicles by administrative rule. Decreasing the

number of vehicles in a fleet will create a significantly increased workload for the Department and the County Auditors, particularly because all fleet vehicles must be registered in December of each year and no funds were provided for the increased workload.

With the exception of the second sentence of section 2, Senate Bill No. 4675 is approved."

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## CHAPTER 281

[Engrossed House Bill No. 134]

### COMMERCIAL TELEPHONE SOLICITATION VIA AUTOMATIC DIALING AND ANNOUNCING DEVICES PROHIBITED

AN ACT Relating to automatic dialing and announcing devices; adding a new section to chapter 80.36 RCW; creating a new section; and prescribing penalties.

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

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 1. The legislature finds that the use of automatic dialing and announcing devices for purposes of commercial solicitation: (1) Deprives consumers of the opportunity to immediately question a seller about the veracity of their claims; (2) subjects consumers to unwarranted invasions of their privacy; and (3) encourages inefficient and potentially harmful use of the telephone network. The legislature further finds that it is in the public interest to prohibit the use of automatic dialing and announcing devices for purposes of commercial solicitation.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 80.36 RCW to read as follows:

(1) As used in this section:

(a) An automatic dialing and announcing device is a device which automatically dials telephone numbers and plays a recorded message once a connection is made.

(b) Commercial solicitation means the unsolicited initiation of a telephone conversation for the purpose of encouraging a person to purchase property, goods, or services.

(2) No person may use an automatic dialing and announcing device for purposes of commercial solicitation. This section applies to all commercial solicitation intended to be received by telephone customers within the state.

(3) A violation of this section is a violation of chapter 19.86 RCW. It shall be presumed that damages to the recipient of commercial solicitations made using an automatic dialing and announcing device are five hundred dollars.