

## CHAPTER 129.

[ H. B. 463. ]

IDENTIFICATION PLATES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES  
TRANSPORTING PROPERTY FOR COMPENSATION.

AN ACT relating to the identification and fees of motor vehicles used in the transportation of property for compensation on the public highways, and amending section 27, chapter 184, Laws of 1935, as last amended by section 7, chapter 264, Laws of 1947.

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

SECTION 1. Section 27, chapter 184, Laws of 1935, as last amended by section 7, chapter 264, Laws of 1947, is amended to read as follows:

Amendment.

Section 27. It shall be unlawful for any "common carrier," or "contract carrier" to operate any motor vehicle within this state unless there shall be displayed and firmly fixed upon the front and rear of such vehicle an identification plate to be furnished by the Department. Such plates shall be different in design for the different classes of carriers, shall bear the number given to the vehicle by the Department, and such other marks of identification as may be required, and, subject to the qualification hereinafter contained, shall be in addition to the regular license plates required by law. Such plates shall be issued annually under rules and regulations of the Department, and shall be attached to each motor vehicle operated subject to this act not later than January first of each year: *Provided*, That such plates may be issued for the ensuing calendar year on and after the first day of December preceding and may be used and displayed from the date of issue until December 31 of the succeeding calendar year for which the same are issued. In case an applicant receives a permit after January first of any year such plates shall be obtained and attached to each motor vehicle subject to this act before operation of any such vehicle is commenced.

Identification plates.

Issued annually.

Fees for plates.

The Department shall collect from each such carrier a fee of three dollars (\$3) for each pair of identification plates so issued, and all fees for such plates shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the Transportation Revolving Fund: *Provided, however,* The Department may issue identification plates which are not assigned to specific vehicles and which may be attached to any trailers or semi-trailers operated by a connecting carrier, where transfer or interchange of trailers or semi-trailers is carried on between connecting carriers, pursuant to an interchange agreement filed with and approved by the Department.

Trailers operated by connecting carrier.

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Approved by the Governor March 16, 1949.

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CHAPTER 130.

[ H. B. 464. ]

LICENSING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES AND RECIPROCAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN STATES.

AN ACT relating to the licensing of motor vehicles and the making of reciprocal agreements between states relating thereto and adding a new section to chapter 188, Laws of 1937, to be known as section 23a.

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

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Chapter 188, Laws of 1937, is amended by adding a new section thereto to be known as section 23a, to read as follows:

Interstate agreements regarding apportioning of license registration of commercial vehicle fleets.

Section 23a. With respect to fleets of two (2) or more commercial vehicles owned by residents of Washington or non-residents which are engaged in interstate movement under the authority of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Director of Licenses may enter into agreements with states, the District of Columbia, territories or countries which