

CHAPTER 99.

[S. B. 104.]

MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES.

AN ACT relating to the use of public highways, the licensing of motor vehicles, amending Chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921, and providing penalties for violation thereof.

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

Amends
Chap. 96,
Laws of 1921.

SECTION 1. That chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921 be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as section 5a, to read as follows:

Extra engine
registration
fee \$1.00.

Section 5a. Any person, firm or corporation having more than one engine for use in any motor vehicle, shall, at the time of making and as a part of his application for a motor vehicle license, endorse upon such application a description of such extra engine, or engines, giving the engine number, and such other information as the director of licenses may require, and shall accompany such application by a fee of \$1.00, in addition to other fees. The director of licenses, if a license be granted upon such application, shall endorse upon such license the fact that an extra engine, or engines, is used in such motor vehicle, giving the engine number, or numbers, and such other description as he may deem advisable.

Amends
Chap. 96,
Laws of 1921.

SEC. 2. That chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921 be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as section 6a, to read as follows:

County audi-
tor shall
appoint
agents for
acceptance of
applications
and fees.

Section 6a. Every county auditor shall appoint any responsible person resident in his county, to act as a special deputy to accept applications and collect fees for motor vehicle licenses, and transfers, and to issue temporary number plates and temporary permits furnished by the director of licenses, upon such person, or corporation, filing with such

county auditor a good and sufficient bond payable to the State of Washington, with good and sufficient surety to be approved by the county auditor, payable to the State of Washington for the benefit of such county auditor, in such penal sum as the auditor may require, conditioned for the faithful performance of his, or its, duties as such deputy. Upon such appointment and the approval of such bond, the person so appointed shall be furnished with such application blanks, temporary number plates, and temporary permits, as shall be deemed necessary by such county auditor.

Bond
required.

SEC. 3. That section 8 of chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921, page 258, be amended to read as follows:

Amends
Sec. 8, Chap.
96, Laws of
1921.

Section 8. Every motor vehicle license issued under the provisions of this act shall be transferred by endorsement on the license certificate signed by the holder of such license, in case of the transfer of the ownership of the motor vehicle for which such license was issued, from the person, or corporation, to whom the license was issued, to the person, or corporation, to whom the ownership of such motor vehicle is transferred, when duly authorized by the director of licenses on application therefor, accompanied by the fee of \$1.00: *Provided*, That if such motor vehicle is to be used for a purpose requiring a higher license fee than the fee paid for the original license, then and in that event, such application for transfer shall be accompanied by the difference between the license fee originally paid and the fee provided by this act for the class to which the transfer is made: *Provided further*, That the number plates issued with any such original license shall be transferred with the transfer of ownership of such motor vehicle and shall remain, and be used upon such motor vehicle during the calendar year for which such original license was issued.

License
transferred
by en-
dorsement.

Fee \$1.00.

New license issued.

Upon the receipt of an application for the transfer of license, accompanied by the state treasurer's duplicate receipt for fee, the director of licenses shall issue to the applicant a new license bearing the same serial number as the original license.

Amends § 11, Chap. 96, Laws of 1921.

SEC. 4. That section 11 of chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921, page 260, be amended to read as follows:

Registration not required of non-residents.

Section 11. The provisions of this act relative to registration of motor vehicles and display of license numbers and licenses shall not apply to a motor vehicle owned by a non-resident of this state, other than a foreign corporation having a place of business in this state and owning and operating a motor vehicle or motor vehicles used in connection with such place of business: *Provided*, That the owner thereof has complied with all of the laws of the foreign country, state, or territory or federal district of his residence relative to registration of motor vehicles and the display of license numbers thereon as required thereby, unless and until such non-resident shall have operated such motor vehicle in this state for a period of ninety (90) days, but when any such non-resident shall have operated any motor vehicle in this state for a period of ninety (90) days he shall become subject to the provisions of this act relative to registration of motor vehicles and the display of license numbers and licenses issued under the provisions of this act: *Provided*, That any such non-resident bringing into this state any motor vehicle registered in compliance with the laws of the foreign country, state, territory or federal district of his residence relative to registration of motor vehicles and the display of license numbers thereon as required thereby, shall within forty-eight (48) hours after bringing such motor vehicle into this state, register such motor vehicle with the director of

90 day period of exemption.

Non-residents to register within 48 hours.

licenses upon a blank form to be furnished by the director for that purpose and receive from the director a temporary permit of such design as he may determine, which temporary permit, when furnished, shall be used under such rules and regulations as the director of licenses may prescribe and it shall be the duty of the director of licenses to appoint as his agents such number of persons, or corporations, as in his judgment are necessary for the convenience of the traveling public to receive such registrations and issue such temporary permits, and to furnish such agents with the necessary blank forms and permits: *Provided further*, That in all those cases of residence of motor vehicle owners in those states whose boundaries abut on those of the State of Washington, the director of licenses may make registration thereof, as herein provided, upon presentation of a certificate of residence of such applicant in such form as the director of licenses may prescribe, duly subscribed by the officer of the state of the applicant's residence vested with the authority to register and license motor vehicles therein, and issue a registration certificate or device which shall be valid during the balance of the current calendar year, or so long as such applicant remains a *bona fide* resident of the state from which his application is received, but not beyond the current calendar year.

Residents of
abutting
states valid
for balance
of calendar
year.

SEC. 5. That section 13 of chapter 96 of the Laws of 1921, page 261, be repealed and that there be substituted therefor a new section, to be known as section 13, to read as follows:

Amends
§ 13, Chap.
96, Laws of
1921.

Section 13. Every person who shall operate a motor vehicle along and over the highways of this state without having first obtained and having in force a motor vehicle license issued under the provisions of this act, or a temporary permit issued under the provisions of this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Penalty for
operation
without
license.

Amends
§ 14, Chap.
96, Laws of
1921.

Duplicate
plates
issued.

SEC. 6. That section 14 of chapter 96, Laws of 1921, page 261, be amended to read as follows:

Section 14. Upon the loss or defacement or destruction of any number plate or plates or when for any reason the letters or figures upon the number plate or plates become illegible or in such condition as to be difficult to distinguish, the owner of a registered vehicle may obtain from the director of licenses a duplicate or duplicates thereof upon filing in the office of the director of licenses, on forms prepared by him, an affidavit setting forth such facts and accompanied by a fee of \$1.00 for each plate: *Provided, however,* That the above provision shall not apply to dealer's plates.

Passed the Senate February 8, 1929.

Passed the House February 27, 1929.

Approved by the Governor March 11, 1929.

CHAPTER 100.

[S. B. 107.]

ACTIONS TO QUIET TITLE TO TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY.

AN ACT in relation to and providing for the quieting of title and the removal of clouds upon title to tangible and intangible personal property.

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

Action to
adjudicate
title against
adverse
claims.

SECTION 1. Any person or corporation claiming to be the owner of or interested in any tangible or intangible personal property may institute and maintain a suit against any person or corporation also claiming title to or any interest in such property for the purpose of adjudicating the title of the plaintiff to such property, or any interest therein, against any and all adverse claims; removing all such adverse claims as clouds upon the title of the plaintiff