SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1064

State of Washington64th Legislature2015 Regular SessionBy House Business & Financial Services (originally sponsored by
Representatives Kirby, Blake, Stanford, and Ryu)

1 AN ACT Relating to locksmith services; and adding a new chapter 2 to Title 19 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The definitions in this section apply 5 throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires 6 otherwise.

7 (1) "Local telephone directory" means a publication listing 8 telephone numbers for various businesses in a certain geographic area 9 and distributed free of charge to some or all telephone subscribers 10 in that area.

11 (2) "Local telephone number" means a telephone number that can be 12 dialed without incurring long distance charges from telephones 13 located within the area covered by the local telephone directory in 14 which the number is listed. The term does not include long distance 15 numbers, toll-free numbers, or nine-hundred exchange numbers listed 16 in a local telephone directory.

17 (3) "Locksmith services" means:

(a) Selling, installing, servicing, repairing, repinning,
 recombinating, and adjusting locks, safes, vaults, or safe deposit
 boxes;

21 (b) Originating keys;

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(c) Operating, bypassing, or neutralizing locks, safes, vaults,
 or safe deposit boxes;

3 (d) Creating, documenting, selling, installing, managing, and
4 servicing master-key systems;

5 (e) Unlocking, bypassing, or neutralizing locks for motor6 vehicles;

7 (f) Originating keys for motor vehicles, which can include the 8 programming, reprogramming, or bypassing of any security transponder, 9 immobilizer system, or subsequent technology built by the 10 manufacturer; and

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(g) Keying or recombinating motor vehicle locks.

(4) "Person" means an individual, partnership, limited liabilitypartnership, corporation, or limited liability corporation.

14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. (1) No person whose primary business is to 15 provide locksmith services and who represents himself or herself to 16 the public as a locksmith may misrepresent his, her, or its 17 geographic location by:

18 (a) Listing a local telephone number in a local telephone19 directory or on an internet web site if:

20 (i) Calls to the telephone number are routinely forwarded or 21 otherwise transferred to a business location that is outside the 22 calling area covered by the local telephone directory or outside the 23 local calling area for the local telephone number listed on an 24 internet web site; and

(ii) The listing fails to conspicuously disclose the locality and state in which the business is located; or

(b) Listing a business name in a local telephone directory or onan internet web site if:

29 (i) The name misrepresents the business's geographic location; 30 and

31 (ii) The listing fails to disclose the locality and state in 32 which the business is located.

33 (2) A person whose primary business is to provide locksmith 34 services and who represents himself or herself to the public as a 35 locksmith must conspicuously display on the business web site and all 36 advertising:

37 (a) The number of the business license issued to it by the state38 or a local government; or

39 (b) The state unified business identifier account number.

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1 (3) The requirements of subsections (1) and (2) of this section 2 do not apply to businesses that provide locksmith services that are 3 ancillary to their primary business, such as businesses that provide 4 roadside or towing services.

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. The legislature finds that the practices 6 covered by section 2(1) of this act are matters vitally affecting the 7 public interest for the purpose of applying chapter 19.86 RCW. A 8 violation of this chapter is not reasonable in relation to the 9 development and preservation of business and is an unfair or 10 deceptive act in trade or commerce and an unfair method of 11 competition for the purpose of applying chapter 19.86 RCW.

12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. Sections 1 through 3 of this act 13 constitute a new chapter in Title 19 RCW.

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