
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5648

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1 AN ACT Relating to vehicular homicide, barring use of the defense
2 of driving while under fatigue, drowsiness, or sleep, and increasing
3 the time period for license suspension; amending RCW 46.61.520 and
4 46.20.285; reenacting and amending RCW 9.94A.515; and prescribing
5 penalties.

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

7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.61.520 and 1998 c 211 s 2 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) When the death of any person ensues within three years as a
10 proximate result of injury proximately caused by the driving of any
11 vehicle by any person, the driver is guilty of vehicular homicide if
12 the driver was operating a motor vehicle:

13 (a) While under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug,
14 as defined by RCW 46.61.502; or

15 (b) In a reckless manner; or

16 (c) With disregard for the safety of others, or while impaired by
17 fatigue. For the purposes of this subsection, "impaired by fatigue"
18 means a person who operates a motor vehicle while having been without
19 sleep for a period of twenty-four consecutive hours, while having
20 been without sleep for twenty-four consecutive hours and the person
21 is in the state of sleep, or while the person's ability or alertness

1 is so impaired by fatigue as to make it unsafe to begin or continue
2 to operate a motor vehicle.

3 (2) Vehicular homicide is a class A felony punishable under
4 chapter 9A.20 RCW, except that, for a conviction under subsection
5 (1)(a) of this section, an additional two years shall be added to the
6 sentence for each prior offense as defined in RCW 46.61.5055.

7 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.20.285 and 2005 c 288 s 4 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 The department shall revoke the license of any driver for the
10 period of one calendar year unless otherwise provided in this
11 section, upon receiving a record of the driver's conviction of any of
12 the following offenses, when the conviction has become final:

13 (1) For vehicular homicide the period of revocation shall be
14 ~~((two))~~ five years. The revocation period shall be tolled during any
15 period of total confinement for the offense;

16 (2) Vehicular assault. The revocation period shall be tolled
17 during any period of total confinement for the offense;

18 (3) Driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of
19 intoxicating liquor or a narcotic drug, or under the influence of any
20 other drug to a degree which renders the driver incapable of safely
21 driving a motor vehicle, for the period prescribed in RCW 46.61.5055;

22 (4) Any felony in the commission of which a motor vehicle is
23 used;

24 (5) Failure to stop and give information or render aid as
25 required under the laws of this state in the event of a motor vehicle
26 accident resulting in the death or personal injury of another or
27 resulting in damage to a vehicle that is driven or attended by
28 another;

29 (6) Perjury or the making of a false affidavit or statement under
30 oath to the department under Title 46 RCW or under any other law
31 relating to the ownership or operation of motor vehicles;

32 (7) Reckless driving upon a showing by the department's records
33 that the conviction is the third such conviction for the driver
34 within a period of two years.

35 **Sec. 3.** RCW 9.94A.515 and 2017 c 335 s 4, 2017 c 292 s 3, 2017 c
36 272 s 10, and 2017 c 266 s 8 are each reenacted and amended to read
37 as follows:

TABLE 2

CRIMES INCLUDED WITHIN EACH
SERIOUSNESS LEVEL

- XVI Aggravated Murder 1 (RCW 10.95.020)
- XV Homicide by abuse (RCW 9A.32.055)
- Malicious explosion 1 (RCW 70.74.280(1))
- Murder 1 (RCW 9A.32.030)
- XIV Murder 2 (RCW 9A.32.050)
- Trafficking 1 (RCW 9A.40.100(1))
- XIII Malicious explosion 2 (RCW 70.74.280(2))
- Malicious placement of an explosive 1 (RCW 70.74.270(1))
- XII Assault 1 (RCW 9A.36.011)
- Assault of a Child 1 (RCW 9A.36.120)
- Malicious placement of an imitation device 1 (RCW 70.74.272(1)(a))
- Promoting Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor (RCW 9.68A.101)
- Rape 1 (RCW 9A.44.040)
- Rape of a Child 1 (RCW 9A.44.073)
- Trafficking 2 (RCW 9A.40.100(3))
- XI Manslaughter 1 (RCW 9A.32.060)
- Rape 2 (RCW 9A.44.050)
- Rape of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.44.076)
- Vehicular Homicide, by being under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.520)
- Vehicular Homicide, by the operation of any vehicle in a reckless manner (RCW 46.61.520)
- X Child Molestation 1 (RCW 9A.44.083)

1 Criminal Mistreatment 1 (RCW
2 9A.42.020)
3 Indecent Liberties (with forcible
4 compulsion) (RCW
5 9A.44.100(1)(a))
6 Kidnapping 1 (RCW 9A.40.020)
7 Leading Organized Crime (RCW
8 9A.82.060(1)(a))
9 Malicious explosion 3 (RCW
10 70.74.280(3))
11 Sexually Violent Predator Escape (RCW
12 9A.76.115)
13 IX Abandonment of Dependent Person 1
14 (RCW 9A.42.060)
15 Assault of a Child 2 (RCW 9A.36.130)
16 Explosive devices prohibited (RCW
17 70.74.180)
18 Hit and Run—Death (RCW
19 46.52.020(4)(a))
20 Homicide by Watercraft, by being under
21 the influence of intoxicating liquor
22 or any drug (RCW 79A.60.050)
23 Inciting Criminal Profiteering (RCW
24 9A.82.060(1)(b))
25 Malicious placement of an explosive 2
26 (RCW 70.74.270(2))
27 Robbery 1 (RCW 9A.56.200)
28 Sexual Exploitation (RCW 9.68A.040)
29 VIII Arson 1 (RCW 9A.48.020)
30 Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor
31 (RCW 9.68A.100)
32 Homicide by Watercraft, by the
33 operation of any vessel in a reckless
34 manner (RCW 79A.60.050)
35 Manslaughter 2 (RCW 9A.32.070)

1 Promoting Prostitution 1 (RCW
2 9A.88.070)
3 Theft of Ammonia (RCW 69.55.010)
4 VII Air bag diagnostic systems (causing
5 bodily injury or death) (RCW
6 46.37.660(2)(b))
7 Air bag replacement requirements
8 (causing bodily injury or death)
9 (RCW 46.37.660(1)(b))
10 Burglary 1 (RCW 9A.52.020)
11 Child Molestation 2 (RCW 9A.44.086)
12 Civil Disorder Training (RCW
13 9A.48.120)
14 Dealing in depictions of minor engaged
15 in sexually explicit conduct 1
16 (RCW 9.68A.050(1))
17 Drive-by Shooting (RCW 9A.36.045)
18 Homicide by Watercraft, by disregard
19 for the safety of others (RCW
20 79A.60.050)
21 Indecent Liberties (without forcible
22 compulsion) (RCW 9A.44.100(1)
23 (b) and (c))
24 Introducing Contraband 1 (RCW
25 9A.76.140)
26 Malicious placement of an explosive 3
27 (RCW 70.74.270(3))
28 Manufacture or import counterfeit,
29 nonfunctional, damaged, or
30 previously deployed air bag
31 (causing bodily injury or death)
32 (RCW 46.37.650(1)(b))
33 Negligently Causing Death By Use of a
34 Signal Preemption Device (RCW
35 46.37.675)

1 Sale ((~~off~~)), install, or reinstall of
2 counterfeit, nonfunctional,
3 damaged, or previously deployed
4 airbag (RCW 46.37.650(2)(b))
5 Sending, bringing into state depictions
6 of minor engaged in sexually
7 explicit conduct 1 (RCW
8 9.68A.060(1))
9 Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in the
10 first degree (RCW 9.41.040(1))
11 Use of a Machine Gun in Commission
12 of a Felony (RCW 9.41.225)
13 Vehicular Homicide, by disregard for
14 the safety of others, or while
15 impaired by fatigue (RCW
16 46.61.520)
17 VI Bail Jumping with Murder 1 (RCW
18 9A.76.170(3)(a))
19 Bribery (RCW 9A.68.010)
20 Incest 1 (RCW 9A.64.020(1))
21 Intimidating a Judge (RCW 9A.72.160)
22 Intimidating a Juror/Witness (RCW
23 9A.72.110, 9A.72.130)
24 Malicious placement of an imitation
25 device 2 (RCW 70.74.272(1)(b))
26 Possession of Depictions of a Minor
27 Engaged in Sexually Explicit
28 Conduct 1 (RCW 9.68A.070(1))
29 Rape of a Child 3 (RCW 9A.44.079)
30 Theft of a Firearm (RCW 9A.56.300)
31 Theft from a Vulnerable Adult 1 (RCW
32 9A.56.400(1))
33 Unlawful Storage of Ammonia (RCW
34 69.55.020)
35 V Abandonment of Dependent Person 2
36 (RCW 9A.42.070)

1 Advancing money or property for
2 extortionate extension of credit
3 (RCW 9A.82.030)

4 Air bag diagnostic systems (RCW
5 46.37.660(2)(c))

6 Air bag replacement requirements
7 (RCW 46.37.660(1)(c))

8 Bail Jumping with class A Felony
9 (RCW 9A.76.170(3)(b))

10 Child Molestation 3 (RCW 9A.44.089)

11 Criminal Mistreatment 2 (RCW
12 9A.42.030)

13 Custodial Sexual Misconduct 1 (RCW
14 9A.44.160)

15 Dealing in Depictions of Minor
16 Engaged in Sexually Explicit
17 Conduct 2 (RCW 9.68A.050(2))

18 Domestic Violence Court Order
19 Violation (RCW 10.99.040,
20 10.99.050, 26.09.300, 26.10.220,
21 26.26.138, 26.50.110, 26.52.070, or
22 74.34.145)

23 Extortion 1 (RCW 9A.56.120)

24 Extortionate Extension of Credit (RCW
25 9A.82.020)

26 Extortionate Means to Collect
27 Extensions of Credit (RCW
28 9A.82.040)

29 Incest 2 (RCW 9A.64.020(2))

30 Kidnapping 2 (RCW 9A.40.030)

31 Manufacture or import counterfeit,
32 nonfunctional, damaged, or
33 previously deployed air bag (RCW
34 46.37.650(1)(c))

35 Perjury 1 (RCW 9A.72.020)

1 Persistent prison misbehavior (RCW
2 9.94.070)
3 Possession of a Stolen Firearm (RCW
4 9A.56.310)
5 Rape 3 (RCW 9A.44.060)
6 Rendering Criminal Assistance 1 (RCW
7 9A.76.070)
8 Sale ((~~of~~)), install, or reinstall of
9 counterfeit, nonfunctional,
10 damaged, or previously deployed
11 airbag (RCW 46.37.650(2)(c))
12 Sending, Bringing into State Depictions
13 of Minor Engaged in Sexually
14 Explicit Conduct 2 (RCW
15 9.68A.060(2))
16 Sexual Misconduct with a Minor 1
17 (RCW 9A.44.093)
18 Sexually Violating Human Remains
19 (RCW 9A.44.105)
20 Stalking (RCW 9A.46.110)
21 Taking Motor Vehicle Without
22 Permission 1 (RCW 9A.56.070)
23 IV Arson 2 (RCW 9A.48.030)
24 Assault 2 (RCW 9A.36.021)
25 Assault 3 (of a Peace Officer with a
26 Projectile Stun Gun) (RCW
27 9A.36.031(1)(h))
28 Assault 4 (third domestic violence
29 offense) (RCW 9A.36.041(3))
30 Assault by Watercraft (RCW
31 79A.60.060)
32 Bribing a Witness/Bribe Received by
33 Witness (RCW 9A.72.090,
34 9A.72.100)
35 Cheating 1 (RCW 9.46.1961)
36 Commercial Bribery (RCW 9A.68.060)

1 Counterfeiting (RCW 9.16.035(4))
2 Driving While Under the Influence
3 (RCW 46.61.502(6))
4 Endangerment with a Controlled
5 Substance (RCW 9A.42.100)
6 Escape 1 (RCW 9A.76.110)
7 Hit and Run—Injury (RCW
8 46.52.020(4)(b))
9 Hit and Run with Vessel—Injury
10 Accident (RCW 79A.60.200(3))
11 Identity Theft 1 (RCW 9.35.020(2))
12 Indecent Exposure to Person Under Age
13 Fourteen (subsequent sex offense)
14 (RCW 9A.88.010)
15 Influencing Outcome of Sporting Event
16 (RCW 9A.82.070)
17 Malicious Harassment (RCW
18 9A.36.080)
19 Physical Control of a Vehicle While
20 Under the Influence (RCW
21 46.61.504(6))
22 Possession of Depictions of a Minor
23 Engaged in Sexually Explicit
24 Conduct 2 (RCW 9.68A.070(2))
25 Residential Burglary (RCW 9A.52.025)
26 Robbery 2 (RCW 9A.56.210)
27 Theft of Livestock 1 (RCW 9A.56.080)
28 Threats to Bomb (RCW 9.61.160)
29 Trafficking in Stolen Property 1 (RCW
30 9A.82.050)
31 Unlawful factoring of a credit card or
32 payment card transaction (RCW
33 9A.56.290(4)(b))

1 Unlawful transaction of health coverage
2 as a health care service contractor
3 (RCW 48.44.016(3))
4 Unlawful transaction of health coverage
5 as a health maintenance
6 organization (RCW 48.46.033(3))
7 Unlawful transaction of insurance
8 business (RCW 48.15.023(3))
9 Unlicensed practice as an insurance
10 professional (RCW 48.17.063(2))
11 Use of Proceeds of Criminal
12 Profiteering (RCW 9A.82.080 (1)
13 and (2))
14 Vehicle Prowling 2 (third or subsequent
15 offense) (RCW 9A.52.100(3))
16 Vehicular Assault, by being under the
17 influence of intoxicating liquor or
18 any drug, or by the operation or
19 driving of a vehicle in a reckless
20 manner (RCW 46.61.522)
21 Viewing of Depictions of a Minor
22 Engaged in Sexually Explicit
23 Conduct 1 (RCW 9.68A.075(1))
24 Willful Failure to Return from Furlough
25 (RCW 72.66.060)
26 III Animal Cruelty 1 (Sexual Conduct or
27 Contact) (RCW 16.52.205(3))
28 Assault 3 (Except Assault 3 of a Peace
29 Officer With a Projectile Stun Gun)
30 (RCW 9A.36.031 except subsection
31 (1)(h))
32 Assault of a Child 3 (RCW 9A.36.140)
33 Bail Jumping with class B or C Felony
34 (RCW 9A.76.170(3)(c))
35 Burglary 2 (RCW 9A.52.030)

1 Communication with a Minor for
2 Immoral Purposes (RCW
3 9.68A.090)
4 Criminal Gang Intimidation (RCW
5 9A.46.120)
6 Custodial Assault (RCW 9A.36.100)
7 Cyberstalking (subsequent conviction or
8 threat of death) (RCW 9.61.260(3))
9 Escape 2 (RCW 9A.76.120)
10 Extortion 2 (RCW 9A.56.130)
11 Harassment (RCW 9A.46.020)
12 Intimidating a Public Servant (RCW
13 9A.76.180)
14 Introducing Contraband 2 (RCW
15 9A.76.150)
16 Malicious Injury to Railroad Property
17 (RCW 81.60.070)
18 Mortgage Fraud (RCW 19.144.080)
19 Negligently Causing Substantial Bodily
20 Harm By Use of a Signal
21 Preemption Device (RCW
22 46.37.674)
23 Organized Retail Theft 1 (RCW
24 9A.56.350(2))
25 Perjury 2 (RCW 9A.72.030)
26 Possession of Incendiary Device (RCW
27 9.40.120)
28 Possession of Machine Gun or Short-
29 Barreled Shotgun or Rifle (RCW
30 9.41.190)
31 Promoting Prostitution 2 (RCW
32 9A.88.080)
33 Retail Theft with Special Circumstances
34 1 (RCW 9A.56.360(2))

1 Securities Act violation (RCW
2 21.20.400)
3 Tampering with a Witness (RCW
4 9A.72.120)
5 Telephone Harassment (subsequent
6 conviction or threat of death) (RCW
7 9.61.230(2))
8 Theft of Livestock 2 (RCW 9A.56.083)
9 Theft with the Intent to Resell 1 (RCW
10 9A.56.340(2))
11 Trafficking in Stolen Property 2 (RCW
12 9A.82.055)
13 Unlawful Hunting of Big Game 1 (RCW
14 77.15.410(3)(b))
15 Unlawful Imprisonment (RCW
16 9A.40.040)
17 Unlawful Misbranding of Food Fish or
18 Shellfish 1 (RCW 69.04.938(3))
19 Unlawful possession of firearm in the
20 second degree (RCW 9.41.040(2))
21 Unlawful Taking of Endangered Fish or
22 Wildlife 1 (RCW 77.15.120(3)(b))
23 Unlawful Trafficking in Fish, Shellfish,
24 or Wildlife 1 (RCW
25 77.15.260(3)(b))
26 Unlawful Use of a Nondesignated
27 Vessel (RCW 77.15.530(4))
28 Vehicular Assault, by the operation or
29 driving of a vehicle with disregard
30 for the safety of others (RCW
31 46.61.522)
32 Willful Failure to Return from Work
33 Release (RCW 72.65.070)
34 II Commercial Fishing Without a License
35 1 (RCW 77.15.500(3)(b))
36 Computer Trespass 1 (RCW 9A.90.040)

1 Counterfeiting (RCW 9.16.035(3))
2 Electronic Data Service Interference
3 (RCW 9A.90.060)
4 Electronic Data Tampering 1 (RCW
5 9A.90.080)
6 Electronic Data Theft (RCW 9A.90.100)
7 Engaging in Fish Dealing Activity
8 Unlicensed 1 (RCW 77.15.620(3))
9 Escape from Community Custody
10 (RCW 72.09.310)
11 Failure to Register as a Sex Offender
12 (second or subsequent offense)
13 (RCW 9A.44.130 prior to June 10,
14 2010, and RCW 9A.44.132)
15 Health Care False Claims (RCW
16 48.80.030)
17 Identity Theft 2 (RCW 9.35.020(3))
18 Improperly Obtaining Financial
19 Information (RCW 9.35.010)
20 Malicious Mischief 1 (RCW 9A.48.070)
21 Organized Retail Theft 2 (RCW
22 9A.56.350(3))
23 Possession of Stolen Property 1 (RCW
24 9A.56.150)
25 Possession of a Stolen Vehicle (RCW
26 9A.56.068)
27 Retail Theft with Special Circumstances
28 2 (RCW 9A.56.360(3))
29 Scrap Processing, Recycling, or
30 Supplying Without a License
31 (second or subsequent offense)
32 (RCW 19.290.100)
33 Theft 1 (RCW 9A.56.030)
34 Theft of a Motor Vehicle (RCW
35 9A.56.065)

1 Theft of Rental, Leased, Lease-
2 purchased, or Loaned Property
3 (valued at five thousand dollars or
4 more) (RCW 9A.56.096(5)(a))
5 Theft with the Intent to Resell 2 (RCW
6 9A.56.340(3))
7 Trafficking in Insurance Claims (RCW
8 48.30A.015)
9 Unlawful factoring of a credit card or
10 payment card transaction (RCW
11 9A.56.290(4)(a))
12 Unlawful Participation of Non-Indians
13 in Indian Fishery (RCW
14 77.15.570(2))
15 Unlawful Practice of Law (RCW
16 2.48.180)
17 Unlawful Purchase or Use of a License
18 (RCW 77.15.650(3)(b))
19 Unlawful Trafficking in Fish, Shellfish,
20 or Wildlife 2 (RCW
21 77.15.260(3)(a))
22 Unlicensed Practice of a Profession or
23 Business (RCW 18.130.190(7))
24 Voyeurism 1 (RCW 9A.44.115)
25 I Attempting to Elude a Pursuing Police
26 Vehicle (RCW 46.61.024)
27 False Verification for Welfare (RCW
28 74.08.055)
29 Forgery (RCW 9A.60.020)
30 Fraudulent Creation or Revocation of a
31 Mental Health Advance Directive
32 (RCW 9A.60.060)
33 Malicious Mischief 2 (RCW 9A.48.080)
34 Mineral Trespass (RCW 78.44.330)
35 Possession of Stolen Property 2 (RCW
36 9A.56.160)

1 Reckless Burning 1 (RCW 9A.48.040)
2 Spotlighting Big Game 1 (RCW
3 77.15.450(3)(b))
4 Suspension of Department Privileges 1
5 (RCW 77.15.670(3)(b))
6 Taking Motor Vehicle Without
7 Permission 2 (RCW 9A.56.075)
8 Theft 2 (RCW 9A.56.040)
9 Theft from a Vulnerable Adult 2 (RCW
10 9A.56.400(2))
11 Theft of Rental, Leased, Lease-
12 purchased, or Loaned Property
13 (valued at seven hundred fifty
14 dollars or more but less than five
15 thousand dollars) (RCW
16 9A.56.096(5)(b))
17 Transaction of insurance business
18 beyond the scope of licensure
19 (RCW 48.17.063)
20 Unlawful Fish and Shellfish Catch
21 Accounting (RCW 77.15.630(3)(b))
22 Unlawful Issuance of Checks or Drafts
23 (RCW 9A.56.060)
24 Unlawful Possession of Fictitious
25 Identification (RCW 9A.56.320)
26 Unlawful Possession of Instruments of
27 Financial Fraud (RCW 9A.56.320)
28 Unlawful Possession of Payment
29 Instruments (RCW 9A.56.320)
30 Unlawful Possession of a Personal
31 Identification Device (RCW
32 9A.56.320)
33 Unlawful Production of Payment
34 Instruments (RCW 9A.56.320)

1 Unlawful Releasing, Planting,
2 Possessing, or Placing Deleterious
3 Exotic Wildlife (RCW
4 77.15.250(2)(b))
5 Unlawful Trafficking in Food Stamps
6 (RCW 9.91.142)
7 Unlawful Use of Food Stamps (RCW
8 9.91.144)
9 Unlawful Use of Net to Take Fish 1
10 (RCW 77.15.580(3)(b))
11 Unlawful Use of Prohibited Aquatic
12 Animal Species (RCW
13 77.15.253(3))
14 Vehicle Prowl 1 (RCW 9A.52.095)
15 Violating Commercial Fishing Area or
16 Time 1 (RCW 77.15.550(3)(b))

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