

---

SENATE BILL 5062

---

State of Washington

54th Legislature

1995 Regular Session

By Senator Fairley

Read first time 01/09/95. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1 AN ACT Relating to side marker lamps; and amending RCW 46.37.210.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.37.210 and 1987 c 330 s 712 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than two side  
6 cowl or fender lamps which shall emit an amber or white light without  
7 glare.

8 (2) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than one  
9 running-board courtesy lamp on each side thereof which shall emit a  
10 white or amber light without glare.

11 (3) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with one or more back-up  
12 lamps either separately or in combination with other lamps, but any  
13 such back-up lamp or lamps shall not be lighted when the motor vehicle  
14 is in forward motion.

15 (4) Any vehicle may be equipped with one or more side marker lamps,  
16 and any such lamp may be flashed in conjunction with turn or vehicular  
17 hazard warning signals. Side marker lamps located toward the front of  
18 a vehicle shall be amber, and side marker lamps located toward the rear  
19 shall be red. Factory-installed side marker lamps shall be maintained

1 in working order and shall be lighted as prescribed for the use of such  
2 devices.

3 (5) Any vehicle eighty inches or more in over-all width, if not  
4 otherwise required by RCW 46.37.090, may be equipped with not more than  
5 three identification lamps showing to the front which shall emit an  
6 amber light without glare and not more than three identification lamps  
7 showing to the rear which shall emit a red light without glare. Such  
8 lamps shall be mounted as specified in RCW 46.37.090(7).

9 (6) (a) Every motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, truck tractor,  
10 and pole trailer used in the state of Washington may be equipped with  
11 an auxiliary lighting system consisting of:

12 (i) One green light to be activated when the accelerator of the  
13 motor vehicle is depressed;

14 (ii) Not more than two amber lights to be activated when the motor  
15 vehicle is moving forward, or standing and idling, but is not under the  
16 power of the engine.

17 (b) Such auxiliary system shall not interfere with the operation of  
18 vehicle stop lamps or turn signals, as required by RCW 46.37.070. Such  
19 system, however, may operate in conjunction with such stop lamps or  
20 turn signals.

21 (c) Only one color of the system may be illuminated at any one  
22 time, and at all times either the green light, or amber light or lights  
23 shall be illuminated when the stop lamps of the vehicle are not  
24 illuminated.

25 (d) The green light, and the amber light or lights, when  
26 illuminated shall be plainly visible at a distance of one thousand feet  
27 to the rear.

28 (e) Only one such system may be mounted on a motor vehicle,  
29 trailer, semitrailer, truck tractor, or pole trailer; and such system  
30 shall be rear mounted in a horizontal fashion, at a height of not more  
31 than seventy-two inches, nor less than twenty inches, as provided by  
32 RCW 46.37.050.

33 (f) On a combination of vehicles, only the lights of the rearmost  
34 vehicle need actually be seen and distinguished as provided in  
35 subparagraph (d) of this subsection.

36 (g) Each manufacturer's model of such a system as described in this  
37 subsection shall be approved by the state patrol as provided for in RCW

1 46.37.005 and 46.37.320, before it may be sold or offered for sale in  
2 the state of Washington.

--- END ---