

Mariya Frost

From: Mariya Frost
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2020 12:01 PM
To: Todd Myers; Jason Mercier
Subject: FW: Car Tab Suspension Request- Syncing Response

From: Phillips, Keith (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, May 7, 2020 10:36 AM
To: Shirk, Drew (GOV) <drew.shirk@gov.wa.gov>; Driver, Debbie (GOV) <Debbie.Driver@gov.wa.gov>; Lee, Tara (GOV) <tara.lee@gov.wa.gov>; Faulk, Mike (GOV) <Mike.Faulk@gov.wa.gov>; Leathers, Kathryn (GOV) <kathryn.leathers@gov.wa.gov>; Schumacher, David (OFM) <David.Schumacher@ofm.wa.gov>; Postman, David (GOV) <David.Postman@gov.wa.gov>
Subject: Re: Car Tab Suspension Request- Syncing Response

Response seem right to me.

Adding the Davids for their view.

From: Shirk, Drew (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, May 7, 2020 10:01:00 AM
To: Driver, Debbie (GOV); Lee, Tara (GOV); Faulk, Mike (GOV); Leathers, Kathryn (GOV)
Cc: Phillips, Keith (GOV)
Subject: RE: Car Tab Suspension Request- Syncing Response

Looks good to me.

From: Driver, Debbie (GOV) <Debbie.Driver@gov.wa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 7, 2020 9:59 AM
To: Lee, Tara (GOV) <tara.lee@gov.wa.gov>; Faulk, Mike (GOV) <Mike.Faulk@gov.wa.gov>; Leathers, Kathryn (GOV) <kathryn.leathers@gov.wa.gov>
Cc: Shirk, Drew (GOV) <drew.shirk@gov.wa.gov>; Phillips, Keith (GOV) <Keith.Phillips@gov.wa.gov>
Subject: RE: Car Tab Suspension Request- Syncing Response

Topic: Car Tabs..... Input needed Including Kathryn

Sorry- I got pulled away in a few different directions and am now getting back to this. I have drafted a response for your consideration but need to make sure this is reflective of where the Governor is should others ask.

Q: Has the Governor considered or made a decision regarding a request to suspend car tabs during the pandemic?

Draft Answer: As you know, the State Supreme Court recently accepted expedited review of the I-976 case and granted the continuation of the injunction. Per the Governor's direction as well as direction in the transportation budget, DOL

will continue to set aside the state collected car tab revenues. Those revenues are not being spent nor are they programmed to be spent. Governor looks forward to the Supreme Courts decision on car tabs and will follow their ruling as appropriate.

Is this where we are: bottom line, the Governor is not considering suspending car tabs?

Debbie

From: Lee, Tara (GOV) <tara.lee@gov.wa.gov>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:15 PM

To: Shirk, Drew (GOV) <drew.shirk@gov.wa.gov>

Cc: Driver, Debbie (GOV) <Debbie.Driver@gov.wa.gov>; Faulk, Mike (GOV) <Mike.Faulk@gov.wa.gov>; Phillips, Keith (GOV) <Keith.Phillips@gov.wa.gov>

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A reporter has asked him about car tabs a few times

On May 4, 2020, at 1:14 PM, Shirk, Drew (GOV) <drew.shirk@gov.wa.gov> wrote:

I am not aware of any response having gone out. I don't believe we were planning to change our approach to car tabs. Held in "escrow" until a final court decision.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: "Driver, Debbie (GOV)" <Debbie.Driver@gov.wa.gov>

Date: 5/4/20 1:12 PM (GMT-08:00)

To: "Lee, Tara (GOV)" <tara.lee@gov.wa.gov>, "Faulk, Mike (GOV)" <Mike.Faulk@gov.wa.gov>, "Shirk, Drew (GOV)" <drew.shirk@gov.wa.gov>, "Phillips, Keith (GOV)" <Keith.Phillips@gov.wa.gov>

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Response Requested:

Quick Question regarding Governor and request from Sen. O'Ban to suspend car tabs.

I received a question from Senate Legislative Staff regarding whether or not there has been discussion and/or a decision regarding suspension of car tabs. I would like to ensure my response is synced to any response you may have shared with the media or others.

I do not believe the Governor is pursuing this request at this time- just not sure if that message has been shared with O'Ban or others yet. My response to legislative staff will most definitely be shared with Sen. O'Ban and likely others too.

Thank you!

Debbie

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