I haven’t had a chance to talk with him about it specifically. On details of such a proposal, the governor was responding to someone else’s idea in the question and said he would think about it. To my knowledge it’s not something policy folks were working on or are fleshing out currently.

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Thanks, one last thing. The question was specifically framed around "unemployed folks" who can't pay car tab fees, and the governor sounded potentially interested. Would people have to prove they're unemployed or otherwise facing economic hardship? Or would the governor be receptive to a general car tab amnesty for all Washingtonians this year?

On Mon, Apr 20, 2020 at 11:33 AM Faulk, Mike (GOV) <Mike.Faulk@gov.wa.gov> wrote:
Found it, Thursday at the 36:30 mark https://www.tvw.org/watch/?clientID=9375922947&eventID=2020041055

The question was couched within another question from KING5 about further relief for unemployment applicants.

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When and where did it come up? Jim Drew doesn’t recall the exchange. And I want to make sure we don’t misrepresent the governor’s response if we write about it.

Matt
On Mon, Apr 20, 2020 at 11:24 AM Faulk, Mike (GOV) <Mike.Faulk@gov.wa.gov<mailto:Mike.Faulk@gov.wa.gov>> wrote:
Hey Matt, I do recall this question and answer happening. At this point there are no developments to report. Any number of options for economic relief remain on the table.

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Hi Tara and Mike. Tim Eyman is claiming that the governor was asked Thursday about suspending car tabs and said: "I hadn't thought of that, I'll get back to you."

Any truth to this? I'm pretty sure the governor wasn't asked about it at any of his press conferences last week.

We'd be interested to know if the governor is receptive to car tab relief as part of the overall pandemic response.

Thanks.

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