

Washington State Autonomous Vehicle Work Group Subcommittee Discussion Form

Subcommittee	Licensing subcommittee
Date of Meeting	June 28, 2021

1) NOTEWORTHY TOPICS OF DISCUSSION, SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION, AND OUTCOME OF DISCUSSION

The Licensing subcommittee met on June 28th and one of the main topics of discussion for this meeting was the passage of SSB 5460 regarding recommendations of the autonomous vehicle work group. This bill was of great interest to our subcommittee as well as DOL, as we had recommended multiple pieces of this proposed bill. While not all of the recommendations were ultimately adopted (i.e., rulemaking), this led to a good discussion in our subcommittee about some of the industry's concerns with the bill, specifically around reporting by the companies, and how we can continue that discussion and possibly resolve these concerns.

Additionally, during this meeting, we had guest speakers; Arlyn Upshaw and Katie Marshall, from the Self-Driving Coalition for Safer Streets talk about issues with AV testing in Washington and what their group has heard on the topic. They led a discussion on how one of the hurdles in Washington is that there is currently no clear path to deployment which may be drawing companies away from testing in Washington at this time.

2) NEXT STEPS AND PLANS FOR SUBCOMMITTEE

We are not planning on holding another subcommittee meeting in this calendar year, but we will continue to reach out to the industry partners to better understand and address their concerns with SSB 5460, specifically about the reporting requirements that go into effect in October 2022.