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DASHBOARD CAMERAS IN COMMERCIAL VEHICLES ACT

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Explanatory Note This Bill provides for the mandatory installation and operation of dashboard cameras in commercial vehicles.

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HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:

Definitions

1 In this Act:

"commercial vehicle" has the same meaning as in the Commercial Transport Act;

"dashboard camera" means a recording device that is capable of continuously recording the view of the road in front of a commercial vehicle through the commercial vehicle's front windshield at all times when the commercial vehicle is operating.

Installation and maintenance

- 2 (1) An owner of a commercial vehicle must install and maintain a dashboard camera in the commercial vehicle.
 - (2) If a commercial vehicle is a leased commercial vehicle, the lessee, instead of the owner, must comply with subsection (1).

Operation

- 3 An operator of a commercial vehicle must ensure that the dashboard camera in the commercial vehicle
 - (a) is recording at all times the commercial vehicle is operated, subject to any regulations, and
 - (b) is not obstructed or prevented from recording.

Regulations

4 The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations referred to in section 41 of the *Interpretation Act*.

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5 This Act comes into force on the date that is six months after the date of Royal Assent.

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