
SENATE BILL 6151

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By Senators Rivers, Hobbs, and King

1 AN ACT Relating to creating a special license plate to support
2 the maintenance and improvements of Washington state parks;
3 reenacting and amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and 46.68.425;
4 adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and providing an effective
5 date.

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

7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.18.200 and 2017 c 25 s 1 and 2017 c 11 s 2 are
8 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

9 (1) Special license plate series reviewed and approved by the
10 department:

11 (a) May be issued in lieu of standard issue or personalized
12 license plates for vehicles required to display one and two license
13 plates unless otherwise specified;

14 (b) Must be issued under terms and conditions established by the
15 department;

16 (c) Must not be issued for vehicles registered under chapter
17 46.87 RCW; and

18 (d) Must display a symbol or artwork approved by the department.

19 (2) The department approves and shall issue the following special
20 license plates:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37	LICENSE PLATE	DESCRIPTION, SYMBOL, OR ARTWORK
	4-H	Displays the "4-H" logo.
	Armed forces collection	Recognizes the contribution of veterans, active duty military personnel, reservists, and members of the national guard, and includes six separate designs, each containing a symbol representing a different branch of the armed forces to include army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, and national guard.
	Breast cancer awareness	Displays a pink ribbon symbolizing breast cancer awareness.
	Endangered wildlife	Displays a symbol or artwork symbolizing endangered wildlife in Washington state.
	Fred Hutch	Displays the Fred Hutch logo.
	Gonzaga University alumni association	Recognizes the Gonzaga University alumni association.
	Helping kids speak	Recognizes an organization that supports programs that provide no-cost speech pathology programs to children.
	Keep kids safe	Recognizes efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect.
	Law enforcement memorial	Honors law enforcement officers in Washington killed in the line of duty.
	Music matters	Displays the "Music Matters" logo.
	Professional firefighters and paramedics	Recognizes professional firefighters and paramedics who are members of the Washington state council of firefighters.

1	Seattle Seahawks	Displays the "Seattle Seahawks"
2		logo.
3	Seattle Sounders FC	Displays the "Seattle Sounders
4		FC" logo.
5	Seattle University	Recognizes Seattle University.
6	Share the road	Recognizes an organization that
7		promotes bicycle safety and
8		awareness education.
9	Ski & ride Washington	Recognizes the Washington
10		snowsports industry.
11	State flower	Recognizes the Washington state
12		flower.
13	Volunteer firefighters	Recognizes volunteer firefighters.
14	Washington farmers and ranchers	Recognizes farmers and ranchers
15		in Washington state.
16	Washington lighthouses	Recognizes an organization that
17		supports selected Washington
18		state lighthouses and provides
19		environmental education
20		programs.
21	Washington state aviation	Displays a Stearman biplane in
22		the foreground with an image of
23		Mount Rainier in the background.
24	Washington state parks	Recognizes Washington state
25		parks as premier destinations of
26		uncommon quality that preserve
27		significant natural, cultural,
28		historical, and recreational
29		resources.
30	<u>Washington state parks-</u>	<u>Recognizes the importance of</u>
31	<u>Sasquatch</u>	<u>Sasquatch in history and folklore,</u>
32		<u>and supports the maintenance and</u>
33		<u>improvements of Washington</u>
34		<u>state parks.</u>
35	Washington state wrestling	Promotes and supports college
36		wrestling in the state of
37		Washington.

1	Washington tennis	Builds awareness and year-round
2		opportunities for tennis in
3		Washington state. Displays a
4		symbol or artwork recognizing
5		tennis in Washington state.
6	<u>Washington's fish collection</u>	<u>Recognizes Washington's fish.</u>
7	Washington's national park fund	Builds awareness of Washington's
8		national parks and supports
9		priority park programs and
10		projects in Washington's national
11		parks, such as enhancing visitor
12		experience, promoting
13		volunteerism, engaging
14		communities, and providing
15		educational opportunities related
16		to Washington's national parks.
17	(Washington's fish collection	Recognizes Washington's fish.)
18	Washington's wildlife collection	Recognizes Washington's
19		wildlife.
20	We love our pets	Recognizes an organization that
21		assists local member agencies of
22		the federation of animal welfare
23		and control agencies to promote
24		and perform spay/neuter surgery
25		on Washington state pets to
26		reduce pet overpopulation.
27	Wild on Washington	Symbolizes wildlife viewing in
28		Washington state.

29 (3) Applicants for initial and renewal professional firefighters
30 and paramedics special license plates must show proof of eligibility
31 by providing a certificate of current membership from the Washington
32 state council of firefighters.

33 (4) Applicants for initial volunteer firefighters special license
34 plates must (a) have been a volunteer firefighter for at least ten
35 years or be a volunteer firefighter for one or more years and (b)
36 have documentation of service from the district of the appropriate
37 fire service. If the volunteer firefighter leaves firefighting
38 service before ten years of service have been completed, the

1 volunteer firefighter shall surrender the license plates to the
 2 department on the registration renewal date. If the volunteer
 3 firefighter stays in service for at least ten years and then leaves,
 4 the license plate may be retained by the former volunteer firefighter
 5 and as long as the license plate is retained for use the person will
 6 continue to pay the future registration renewals. A qualifying
 7 volunteer firefighter may have no more than one set of license plates
 8 per vehicle, and a maximum of two sets per applicant, for their
 9 personal vehicles. If the volunteer firefighter is convicted of a
 10 violation of RCW 46.61.502 or a felony, the license plates must be
 11 surrendered upon conviction.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.17.220 and 2017 c 25 s 2 and 2017 c 11 s 3 are
 13 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

14 (1) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
 15 application for a vehicle registration in chapter 46.16A RCW, the
 16 holder of a special license plate shall pay the appropriate special
 17 license plate fee as listed in this section.

18	PLATE TYPE	INITIAL	RENEWAL	DISTRIBUTED
19		FEE	FEE	UNDER
20	(a) 4-H	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
21	(b) Amateur radio license	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
22	(c) Armed forces	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
23	(d) Baseball stadium	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	Subsection (2) of this
24				section
25	(e) Breast cancer awareness	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
26	(f) Collector vehicle	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
27	(g) Collegiate	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.430
28	(h) Endangered wildlife	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
29	(i) Fred Hutch	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
30	(j) Gonzaga University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
31	alumni association			
32	(k) Helping kids speak	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
33	(l) Horseless carriage	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
34	(m) Keep kids safe	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425

1	(n) Law enforcement	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	memorial			
3	(o) Military affiliate radio	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
4	system			
5	(p) Music matters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
6	(q) Purple Heart	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
7	(r) Professional firefighters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
8	and paramedics			
9	(s) Ride share	\$ 25.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
10	(t) Seattle Seahawks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
11	(u) Seattle Sounders FC	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
12	(v) Seattle University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
13	(w) Share the road	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
14	(x) Ski & ride Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
15	(y) Square dancer	\$ 40.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
16	(z) State flower	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
17	(aa) Volunteer firefighters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
18	(bb) Washington farmers	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
19	and ranchers			
20	(cc) Washington lighthouses	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
21	(dd) Washington state	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
22	aviation			
23	(ee) Washington state parks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
24	(ff) <u>Washington state parks-</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.425</u>
25	<u>Sasquatch</u>			
26	(gg) Washington state	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
27	wrestling			
28	((gg)) (hh) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
29	tennis			
30	((hh)) (ii) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
31	fish collection			
32	((ii)) (jj) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
33	national parks			

1	((jj)) <u>(kk)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
2	wildlife collection			
3	((kk)) <u>(ll)</u> We love our	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
4	pets			
5	((ll)) <u>(mm)</u> Wild on	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
6	Washington			

7 (2) After deducting administration and collection expenses for
8 the sale of baseball stadium license plates, the remaining proceeds
9 must be distributed to a county for the purpose of paying the
10 principal and interest payments on bonds issued by the county to
11 construct a baseball stadium, as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including
12 reasonably necessary preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being
13 collected under RCW 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer
14 shall credit the funds to the state general fund.

15 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.68.425 and 2016 c 31 s 3 and 2016 c 30 s 4 are
16 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

- 17 (1) The department shall:
- 18 (a) Collect special license plate fees established under RCW
19 46.17.220;
- 20 (b) Deduct an amount not to exceed twelve dollars for initial
21 issue and two dollars for renewal issue for administration and
22 collection expenses incurred by it; and
- 23 (c) Remit the remaining proceeds to the custody of the state
24 treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report.

25 (2) The state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor
26 vehicle fund until the department determines that the state has been
27 reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license plate.
28 Upon determination by the department that the state has been
29 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special
30 license plate fees to the following accounts by special license plate
31 type:

32	SPECIAL LICENSE	ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR
33	PLATE TYPE		USE OF FUNDS
34	Armed forces	RCW 43.60A.140	As specified in RCW
35			43.60A.140(4)

1	Breast cancer awareness	RCW 43.70.327	Must be used only by the
2			department of health for
3			efforts consistent with
4			the breast, cervical, and
5			colon health program
6	Endangered wildlife	RCW 77.12.170	Must be used only for
7			the department of fish
8			and wildlife's
9			endangered wildlife
10			program activities
11	Keep kids safe	RCW 43.121.100	As specified in RCW
12			43.121.100
13	Purple Heart	RCW 43.60A.140	As specified in RCW
14			43.60A.140(4)
15	Washington state parks	RCW 79A.05.059	Provide public
16			educational
17			opportunities and
18			enhancement of
19			Washington state parks
20	<u>Washington state parks-</u>	<u>RCW 79A.05.059</u>	<u>Provide support for the</u>
21	<u>Sasquatch</u>		<u>maintenance and</u>
22			<u>improvements of</u>
23			<u>Washington state parks</u>
24	Washington's fish	RCW 77.12.170	Only for the department
25	collection		of fish and wildlife's use
26			to support steelhead
27			species management
28			activities including, but
29			not limited to, activities
30			supporting conservation,
31			recovery, and research to
32			promote healthy,
33			fishable steelhead
34	Washington's wildlife	RCW 77.12.170	Only for the department
35	collection		of fish and wildlife's
36			game species
37			management activities

1 Wild on Washington RCW 77.12.170 Dedicated to the
2 department of fish and
3 wildlife's watchable
4 wildlife activities, as
5 defined in RCW
6 77.32.560

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04
8 RCW to read as follows:
9 "Sasquatch license plates" means license plates issued under RCW
10 46.18.200 that displays a symbol or artwork recognizing the cultural
11 significance of Sasquatch in Washington history and folklore.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act takes effect January 1, 2019.

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