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**HOUSE BILL 1400**

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

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**President of the Senate**

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1400** as passed by House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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By Representatives Dent, Gregerson, Hargrove, McBride, Klippert, Tarleton, Dye, Blake, Peterson, Sells, Griffey, Holy, Harris, McCabe, Buys, Koster, Haler, Wilcox, Graves, Jenkin, Van Werven, Stokesbary, Pike, Condotta, Rodne, MacEwen, Irwin, Steele, Nealey, Volz, McDonald, McCaslin, Chandler, Stambaugh, Barkis, Kraft, Manweller, Muri, J. Walsh, Pettigrew, Bergquist, and Kagi

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating Washington state aviation special  
2 license plates; reenacting and amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and  
3 46.68.420; adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and creating a  
4 new section.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the aviation  
7 industry and community airports are an integral part of Washington's  
8 economy. Washington state is home to public use airports serving an  
9 average of eighteen thousand five hundred pilots and over nine  
10 thousand aircraft annually. They support two hundred forty-eight  
11 thousand five hundred jobs and more than fifty billion dollars in  
12 economic activity. Aviators play a vital role in our state's response  
13 to emergencies and natural disasters. Therefore, the legislature  
14 intends with this act to create the Washington state aviation license  
15 plate to honor and support the aviation community.

16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.18.200 and 2016 c 36 s 1, 2016 c 30 s 1, 2016 c  
17 16 s 1, and 2016 c 15 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as  
18 follows:

19 (1) Special license plate series reviewed and approved by the  
20 department:

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

4 (b) Must be issued under terms and conditions established by the  
5 department;

6 (c) Must not be issued for vehicles registered under chapter  
7 46.87 RCW; and

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

9 (2) The department approves and shall issue the following special  
10 license plates:

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.
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.

1	Law enforcement memorial	Honors law enforcement officers
2		in Washington killed in the line of
3		duty.
4	Music matters	Displays the "Music Matters"
5		logo.
6	Professional firefighters and	Recognizes professional
7	paramedics	firefighters and paramedics who
8		are members of the Washington
9		state council of firefighters.
10	Seattle Seahawks	Displays the "Seattle Seahawks"
11		logo.
12	Seattle Sounders FC	Displays the "Seattle Sounders
13		FC" logo.
14	Seattle University	Recognizes Seattle University.
15	Share the road	Recognizes an organization that
16		promotes bicycle safety and
17		awareness education.
18	Ski & ride Washington	Recognizes the Washington
19		snowsports industry.
20	State flower	Recognizes the Washington state
21		flower.
22	Volunteer firefighters	Recognizes volunteer firefighters.
23	Washington farmers and ranchers	Recognizes farmers and ranchers
24		in Washington state.
25	Washington lighthouses	Recognizes an organization that
26		supports selected Washington
27		state lighthouses and provides
28		environmental education
29		programs.
30	<u>Washington state aviation</u>	<u>Displays a Stearman biplane in</u>
31		<u>the foreground with an image of</u>
32		<u>Mount Rainier in the background.</u>

1	Washington state parks	Recognizes Washington state
2		parks as premier destinations of
3		uncommon quality that preserve
4		significant natural, cultural,
5		historical, and recreational
6		resources.
7	Washington state wrestling	Promotes and supports college
8		wrestling in the state of
9		Washington.
10	Washington tennis	Builds awareness and year-round
11		opportunities for tennis in
12		Washington state. Displays a
13		symbol or artwork recognizing
14		tennis in Washington state.
15	Washington's national park fund	Builds awareness of Washington's
16		national parks and supports
17		priority park programs and
18		projects in Washington's national
19		parks, such as enhancing visitor
20		experience, promoting
21		volunteerism, engaging
22		communities, and providing
23		educational opportunities related
24		to Washington's national parks.
25	Washington's fish collection	Recognizes Washington's fish.
26	Washington's wildlife collection	Recognizes Washington's
27		wildlife.
28	We love our pets	Recognizes an organization that
29		assists local member agencies of
30		the federation of animal welfare
31		and control agencies to promote
32		and perform spay/neuter surgery
33		on Washington state pets to
34		reduce pet overpopulation.
35	Wild on Washington	Symbolizes wildlife viewing in
36		Washington state.

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

5 (4) Applicants for initial volunteer firefighters special license  
6 plates must (a) have been a volunteer firefighter for at least ten  
7 years or be a volunteer firefighter for one or more years and (b)  
8 have documentation of service from the district of the appropriate  
9 fire service. If the volunteer firefighter leaves firefighting  
10 service before ten years of service have been completed, the  
11 volunteer firefighter shall surrender the license plates to the  
12 department on the registration renewal date. If the volunteer  
13 firefighter stays in service for at least ten years and then leaves,  
14 the license plate may be retained by the former volunteer firefighter  
15 and as long as the license plate is retained for use the person will  
16 continue to pay the future registration renewals. A qualifying  
17 volunteer firefighter may have no more than one set of license plates  
18 per vehicle, and a maximum of two sets per applicant, for their  
19 personal vehicles. If the volunteer firefighter is convicted of a  
20 violation of RCW 46.61.502 or a felony, the license plates must be  
21 surrendered upon conviction.

22 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.17.220 and 2016 c 36 s 2, 2016 c 31 s 2, 2016 c  
23 30 s 3, 2016 c 16 s 2, and 2016 c 15 s 2 are each reenacted and  
24 amended to read as follows:

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

PLATE TYPE	INITIAL FEE	RENEWAL FEE	DISTRIBUTED UNDER
(a) 4-H	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(b) Amateur radio license	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
(c) Armed forces	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
(d) Baseball stadium	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	Subsection (2) of this section
(e) Breast cancer awareness	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425

1	(f) Collector vehicle	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
2	(g) Collegiate	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.430
3	(h) Endangered wildlife	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
4	(i) Gonzaga University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
5	alumni association			
6	(j) Helping kids speak	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
7	(k) Horseless carriage	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
8	(l) Keep kids safe	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
9	(m) Law enforcement	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
10	memorial			
11	(n) Military affiliate radio	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
12	system			
13	(o) Music matters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
14	(p) Purple Heart	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
15	(q) Professional firefighters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
16	and paramedics			
17	(r) Ride share	\$ 25.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
18	(s) Seattle Seahawks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
19	(t) Seattle Sounders FC	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
20	(u) Seattle University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
21	(v) Share the road	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
22	(w) Ski & ride Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
23	(x) Square dancer	\$ 40.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
24	(y) State flower	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
25	(z) Volunteer firefighters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
26	(aa) Washington farmers	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
27	and ranchers			
28	(bb) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
29	lighthouses			
30	(cc) <u>Washington state</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.420</u>
31	<u>aviation</u>			
32	( <u>dd</u> ) Washington state parks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
33	( <del>(dd)</del> ) ( <u>ee</u> ) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
34	state wrestling			

1	<del>((ee))</del> <u>(ff)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	tennis			
3	<del>((ff))</del> <u>(gg)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
4	fish collection			
5	<del>((gg))</del> <u>(hh)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
6	national parks			
7	<del>((hh))</del> <u>(ii)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
8	wildlife collection			
9	<del>((ii))</del> <u>(jj)</u> We love our pets	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
10	<del>((jj))</del> <u>(kk)</u> Wild on	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
11	Washington			

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

20 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.68.420 and 2016 c 36 s 3, 2016 c 16 s 3, and 2016  
21 c 15 s 3 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

- 22 (1) The department shall:
- 23 (a) Collect special license plate fees established under RCW  
24 46.17.220;
- 25 (b) Deduct an amount not to exceed twelve dollars for initial  
26 issue and two dollars for renewal issue for administration and  
27 collection expenses incurred by it; and
- 28 (c) Remit the remaining proceeds to the custody of the state  
29 treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report.
- 30 (2) The state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor  
31 vehicle account until the department determines that the state has  
32 been reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license  
33 plate. Upon determination by the department that the state has been  
34 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special  
35 license plate fee amounts for each special license plate to the  
36 following appropriate account as created in this section in the  
37 custody of the state treasurer:



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	4-H programs	Support Washington 4-H programs
	Gonzaga University alumni association	Scholarship funds to needy and qualified students attending or planning to attend Gonzaga University
	Helping kids speak	Provide free diagnostic and therapeutic services to families of children who suffer from a delay in language or speech development
	Law enforcement memorial	Provide support and assistance to survivors and families of law enforcement officers in Washington killed in the line of duty and to organize, finance, fund, construct, utilize, and maintain a memorial on the state capitol grounds to honor those fallen officers
	Lighthouse environmental programs	Support selected Washington state lighthouses that are accessible to the public and staffed by volunteers; provide environmental education programs; provide grants for other Washington lighthouses to assist in funding infrastructure preservation and restoration; encourage and support interpretive programs by lighthouse docents
	Music matters awareness	Promote music education in schools throughout Washington

1	Seattle Seahawks	Provide funds to InvestED to
2		encourage secondary students
3		who have economic needs to stay
4		in school, return to school, or get
5		involved within their learning
6		community
7	Seattle Sounders FC	Provide funds to Washington state
8		mentors and the association of
9		Washington generals created in
10		RCW 43.15.030 in the following
11		manner: (a) Seventy percent and
12		the remaining proceeds, if any, to
13		Washington state mentors, to
14		increase the number of mentors in
15		the state by offering mentoring
16		grants throughout Washington
17		state that foster positive youth
18		development and academic
19		success, with up to twenty percent
20		of these proceeds authorized for
21		program administration costs;
22		and(b) up to thirty percent, not to
23		exceed forty-thousand dollars
24		annually as adjusted for inflation
25		by the office of financial
26		management, to the association of
27		Washington generals, to develop
28		Washington state educational,
29		veterans, international relations,
30		and civics projects and to
31		recognize the outstanding public
32		service of individuals or groups in
33		the state of Washington
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35	Seattle University	Fund scholarships for students
36		attending or planning to attend
37		Seattle University

1	Share the road	Promote bicycle safety and
2		awareness education in
3		communities throughout
4		Washington
5	Ski & ride Washington	Promote winter snowsports, such
6		as skiing and snowboarding, and
7		related programs, such as ski and
8		ride safety programs,
9		underprivileged youth ski and ride
10		programs, and active, healthy
11		lifestyle programs
12	State flower	Support Meerkerk Rhododendron
13		Gardens and provide for grants to
14		other qualified nonprofit
15		organizations' efforts to preserve
16		rhododendrons
17	Volunteer firefighters	Receive and disseminate funds for
18		purposes on behalf of volunteer
19		firefighters, their families, and
20		others deemed in need
21	Washington farmers and ranchers	Provide funds to the Washington
22		FFA Foundation for educational
23		programs in Washington state
24	<u>Washington state aviation</u>	<u>Provide funds to the department</u>
25		<u>of transportation to support</u>
26		<u>infrastructure improvements at</u>
27		<u>public use airports in Washington</u>
28		<u>state</u>
29	Washington state wrestling	Provide funds to the Washington
30		state wrestling foundation to fund
31		new and existing college
32		wrestling programs
33	Washington state council of	Receive and disseminate funds for
34	firefighters benevolent fund	charitable purposes on behalf of
35		members of the Washington state
36		council of firefighters, their
37		families, and others deemed in
38		need

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Washington tennis

Provide funds to cities to assist in the construction and maintenance of a public tennis facility with at least four indoor tennis courts. A city is eligible for construction funds if the city does not already have a public or private facility with at least four indoor tennis courts. Funds for construction must first be made available to the most populous eligible city, according to the most recent census, for a time period not to exceed five years after January 1, 2017. After the five-year time period, the funds for construction must be made available to the next most populous eligible city. Funds for the maintenance of a public tennis facility with at least four indoor tennis courts must first be made available to the first eligible city that utilizes funds for construction provided by chapter 16, Laws of 2016.

Washington's national park fund

Build awareness of Washington's national parks and support priority park programs and projects in Washington's national parks, such as enhancing visitor experience, promoting volunteerism, engaging communities, and providing educational opportunities related to Washington's national parks

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We love our pets

Support and enable the  
Washington federation of animal  
welfare and control agencies to  
promote and perform spay/neuter  
surgery of Washington state pets  
in order to reduce pet population

7           (3) Only the director or the director's designee may authorize  
8 expenditures from the accounts described in subsection (2) of this  
9 section. The accounts are subject to allotment procedures under  
10 chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for  
11 expenditures.

12           (4) Funds in the special license plate accounts described in  
13 subsection (2) of this section must be disbursed subject to the  
14 conditions described in subsection (2) of this section and under  
15 contract between the department and qualified nonprofit organizations  
16 that provide the services described in subsection (2) of this  
17 section.

18           (5) For the purposes of this section, a "qualified nonprofit  
19 organization" means a not-for-profit corporation operating in  
20 Washington that has received a determination of tax exempt status  
21 under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3). The qualified nonprofit organization  
22 must meet all the requirements under RCW 46.18.100(1).

23           NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 46.04  
24 RCW to read as follows:

25           "Washington state aviation license plates" means special license  
26 plates issued under RCW 46.18.200 that display images of a Stearman  
27 biplane and Mount Rainier.

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