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

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.18.200 and 2018 c 67 s 5 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

35 (4) Applicants for initial volunteer firefighters special license
36 plates must (a) have been a volunteer firefighter for at least ten
37 years or be a volunteer firefighter for one or more years and (b)
38 have documentation of service from the district of the appropriate

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

14 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.17.220 and 2018 c 67 s 4 are each amended to read
 15 as follows:

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

PLATE TYPE	INITIAL FEE	RENEWAL FEE	DISTRIBUTED UNDER
(1) 4-H	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(2) Amateur radio license	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
(3) Armed forces	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
(4) Breast cancer awareness	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
(5) Collector vehicle	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
(6) Collegiate	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.430
(7) Endangered wildlife	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
(8) Fred Hutch	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(9) Gonzaga University alumni association	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(10) Helping kids speak	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(11) Horseless carriage	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
(12) Keep kids safe	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425

1	(13) Law enforcement	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	memorial			
3	(14) Military affiliate radio	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
4	system			
5	(15) Music matters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
6	(16) Professional	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
7	firefighters and			
8	paramedics			
9	(17) Purple Heart	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
10	(18) Ride share	\$ 25.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
11	(19) Seattle Mariners	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
12	(20) Seattle Seahawks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
13	(21) Seattle Sounders FC	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
14	(22) Seattle University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
15	(23) Share the road	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
16	(24) Ski & ride Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
17	(25) Square dancer	\$ 40.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
18	(26) State flower	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
19	(27) Volunteer firefighters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
20	(28) Washington farmers	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
21	and ranchers			
22	(29) Washington lighthouses	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
23	(30) Washington state	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
24	aviation			
25	(31) Washington state parks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
26	(32) <u>Washington state parks-</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.425</u>
27	<u>Sasquatch</u>			
28	<u>(33)</u> Washington state	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
29	wrestling			
30	((33)) <u>(34)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
31	tennis			
32	((34)) <u>(35)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
33	fish collection			

1	((35)) (36) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	national parks			
3	((36)) (37) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
4	wildlife collection			
5	((37)) (38) We love our	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
6	pets			
7	((38)) (39) Wild on	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
8	Washington			

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

11 (1) The department shall:

12 (a) Collect special license plate fees established under RCW
13 46.17.220;

14 (b) Deduct an amount not to exceed twelve dollars for initial
15 issue and two dollars for renewal issue for administration and
16 collection expenses incurred by it; and

17 (c) Remit the remaining proceeds to the custody of the state
18 treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report.

19 (2) The state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor
20 vehicle fund until the department determines that the state has been
21 reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license plate.
22 Upon determination by the department that the state has been
23 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special
24 license plate fees to the following accounts by special license plate
25 type:

26	SPECIAL LICENSE	ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR
27	PLATE TYPE		USE OF FUNDS
28	Armed forces	RCW 43.60A.140	As specified in RCW
29			43.60A.140(4)
30	Breast cancer awareness	RCW 43.70.327	Must be used only by the
31			department of health for
32			efforts consistent with
33			the breast, cervical, and
34			colon health program

1	Endangered wildlife	RCW 77.12.170	Must be used only for
2			the department of fish
3			and wildlife's
4			endangered wildlife
5			program activities
6	Keep kids safe	RCW 43.121.100	As specified in RCW
7			43.121.100
8	Purple Heart	RCW 43.60A.140	As specified in RCW
9			43.60A.140(4)
10	Washington state parks	RCW 79A.05.059	Provide public
11			educational
12			opportunities and
13			enhancement of
14			Washington state parks
15	<u>Washington state parks-</u>	<u>RCW 79A.05.059</u>	<u>Provide support for the</u>
16	<u>Sasquatch</u>		<u>maintenance and</u>
17			<u>improvements of</u>
18			<u>Washington state parks</u>
19	Washington's fish	RCW 77.12.170	Only for the department
20	collection		of fish and wildlife's use
21			to support steelhead
22			species management
23			activities including, but
24			not limited to, activities
25			supporting conservation,
26			recovery, and research to
27			promote healthy,
28			fishable steelhead
29	Washington's wildlife	RCW 77.12.170	Only for the department
30	collection		of fish and wildlife's
31			game species
32			management activities
33	Wild on Washington	RCW 77.12.170	Dedicated to the
34			department of fish and
35			wildlife's watchable
36			wildlife activities, as
37			defined in RCW
38			77.32.560

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

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