

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 1218

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Transportation, March 28, 2005

Title: An act relating to endangered wildlife license plates.

Brief Description: Authorizing endangered wildlife license plates.

Sponsors: House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives B. Sullivan, Lovick, Eickmeyer, Upthegrove, Ericksen, Morrell, Dickerson, Sells and Ormsby).

Brief History: Passed House: 3/15/05, 92-4.

Committee Activity: Transportation: 3/28/05 [DPA].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Jacobsen, Vice Chair; Poulsen, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Esser, Kastama, Mulliken, Oke, Spanel and Weinstein.

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Background: The Special License Plate Review Board was created in the 2003 session and charged with reviewing special license plate applications from groups requesting the creation of a special license plate series. Upon approval, the board forwards the application to the Legislature.

On December 10, 2004, the board formally approved the Department of Fish and Wildlife's "Endangered Wildlife" license plate application.

Summary of Amended Bill: The Department of Licensing must issue a special license plate displaying a symbol or artwork for symbolizing endangered wildlife in Washington State.

An applicant for a Endangered Wildlife license plate must pay an initial fee of \$40 and a renewal fee each year thereafter of \$30. The initial revenue generated from the plate sales must be deposited into the motor vehicle account until the state has been reimbursed for the implementation costs. Upon reimbursement, the revenue must be deposited into the state wildlife account and may only be used for endangered wildlife activities.

Amended Bill Compared to Original Bill: The original bill was not considered.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Who Testified: No one.