
HOUSE BILL 2139

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By Representatives Young, Shea, Barkis, and McCaslin

1 AN ACT Relating to creating Remembers license plates; amending
2 RCW 46.18.200 and 46.17.220; reenacting and amending RCW 46.68.425;
3 adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and providing an effective
4 date.

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	<u>Remembers</u>	<u>Displays an image of United</u>
2		<u>States service members in combat</u>
3		<u>uniform holding up the American</u>
4		<u>flag along with symbols</u>
5		<u>representing each branch of the</u>
6		<u>armed forces and a symbol</u>
7		<u>representing service members that</u>
8		<u>are or were prisoners of war or</u>
9		<u>missing in action.</u>
10	Seattle Mariners	Displays the "Seattle Mariners"
11		logo.
12	Seattle Seahawks	Displays the "Seattle Seahawks"
13		logo.
14	Seattle Sounders FC	Displays the "Seattle Sounders
15		FC" logo.
16	Seattle University	Recognizes Seattle University.
17	Share the road	Recognizes an organization that
18		promotes bicycle safety and
19		awareness education.
20	Ski & ride Washington	Recognizes the Washington
21		snowsports industry.
22	State flower	Recognizes the Washington state
23		flower.
24	Volunteer firefighters	Recognizes volunteer firefighters.
25	Washington farmers and ranchers	Recognizes farmers and ranchers
26		in Washington state.
27	Washington lighthouses	Recognizes an organization that
28		supports selected Washington
29		state lighthouses and provides
30		environmental education
31		programs.
32	Washington state aviation	Displays a Stearman biplane in
33		the foreground with an image of
34		Mount Rainier in the background.

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 fish collection	Recognizes Washington's fish.
16	Washington's national park fund	Builds awareness of Washington's
17		national parks and supports
18		priority park programs and
19		projects in Washington's national
20		parks, such as enhancing visitor
21		experience, promoting
22		volunteerism, engaging
23		communities, and providing
24		educational opportunities related
25		to Washington's national parks.
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. 2.** RCW 46.17.220 and 2018 c 67 s 4 are each amended to read
23 as follows:

24 In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
25 application for a vehicle registration in chapter 46.16A RCW, the
26 holder of a special license plate shall pay the appropriate special
27 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

1	(8) Fred Hutch	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	(9) Gonzaga University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
3	alumni association			
4	(10) Helping kids speak	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
5	(11) Horseless carriage	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
6	(12) Keep kids safe	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
7	(13) Law enforcement	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
8	memorial			
9	(14) Military affiliate radio	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
10	system			
11	(15) Music matters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
12	(16) Professional	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
13	firefighters and			
14	paramedics			
15	(17) Purple Heart	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
16	(18) <u>Remembers</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.425</u>
17	<u>(19)</u> Ride share	\$ 25.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
18	((19)) <u>(20)</u> Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
19	Mariners			
20	((20)) <u>(21)</u> Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
21	Seahawks			
22	((21)) <u>(22)</u> Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
23	Sounders FC			
24	((22)) <u>(23)</u> Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
25	University			
26	((23)) <u>(24)</u> Share the road	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
27	((24)) <u>(25)</u> Ski & ride	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
28	Washington			
29	((25)) <u>(26)</u> Square dancer	\$ 40.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
30	((26)) <u>(27)</u> State flower	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
31	((27)) <u>(28)</u> Volunteer	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
32	firefighters			
33	((28)) <u>(29)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
34	farmers and ranchers			

1	((29)) <u>(30)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	lighthouses			
3	((30)) <u>(31)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
4	state aviation			
5	((31)) <u>(32)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
6	state parks			
7	((32)) <u>(33)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
8	state wrestling			
9	((33)) <u>(34)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
10	tennis			
11	((34)) <u>(35)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
12	fish collection			
13	((35)) <u>(36)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
14	national parks			
15	((36)) <u>(37)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
16	wildlife collection			
17	((37)) <u>(38)</u> We love our	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
18	pets			
19	((38)) <u>(39)</u> Wild on	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
20	Washington			

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

23 (1) The department shall:

24 (a) Collect special license plate fees established under RCW
25 46.17.220;

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

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

31 (2) The state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor
32 vehicle fund until the department determines that the state has been
33 reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license plate.
34 Upon determination by the department that the state has been
35 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special

1 license plate fees to the following accounts by special license plate
2 type:

3	SPECIAL LICENSE	ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR
4	PLATE TYPE		USE OF FUNDS
5	Armed forces	RCW 43.60A.140	As specified in RCW
6			43.60A.140(4)
7	Breast cancer awareness	RCW 43.70.327	Must be used only by the
8			department of health for
9			efforts consistent with
10			the breast, cervical, and
11			colon health program
12	Endangered wildlife	RCW 77.12.170	Must be used only for
13			the department of fish
14			and wildlife's
15			endangered wildlife
16			program activities
17	Keep kids safe	RCW 43.121.100	As specified in RCW
18			43.121.100
19	Purple Heart	RCW 43.60A.140	As specified in RCW
20			43.60A.140(4)
21	<u>Remembers</u>	<u>RCW 43.60A.140</u>	<u>Only for the department</u>
22			<u>of veterans affairs to</u>
23			<u>maintain the Washington</u>
24			<u>veterans home cemetery</u>
25			<u>and the Washington</u>
26			<u>soldiers home cemetery</u>
27	Washington state parks	RCW 79A.05.059	Provide public
28			educational
29			opportunities and
30			enhancement of
31			Washington state parks

1	Washington's fish	RCW 77.12.170	Only for the department
2	collection		of fish and wildlife's use
3			to support steelhead
4			species management
5			activities including, but
6			not limited to, activities
7			supporting conservation,
8			recovery, and research to
9			promote healthy,
10			fishable steelhead
11	Washington's wildlife	RCW 77.12.170	Only for the department
12	collection		of fish and wildlife's
13			game species
14			management activities
15	Wild on Washington	RCW 77.12.170	Dedicated to the
16			department of fish and
17			wildlife's watchable
18			wildlife activities, as
19			defined in RCW
20			77.32.560

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04
22 RCW to read as follows:

23 "Remembers license plates" means special license plates issued
24 under RCW 46.18.200 that displays an image of United States service
25 members in combat uniform holding up the American flag along with
26 symbols representing each branch of the armed forces and a symbol
27 representing service members that are or were prisoners of war or
28 missing in action.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act takes effect October 1, 2019.

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