

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1996**

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SAN JUAN ISLAND LICENSE PLATES

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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 **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1996** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BERNARD DEAN

**Chief Clerk**

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April 30, 2019

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** Representatives Lekanoff and Shewmake

Read first time 02/11/19. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1            AN ACT Relating to creating a San Juan Islands special license  
2 plate; amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and 46.68.420; adding a new  
3 section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and providing an effective date.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

17            (2) The department approves and shall issue the following special  
18 license plates:

19	LICENSE PLATE	DESCRIPTION, SYMBOL, OR
20		ARTWORK

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

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	Washington state wrestling	Promotes and supports college
33		wrestling in the state of
34		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	Washington's fish collection	Recognizes Washington's fish.
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 wildlife collection	Recognizes Washington's
18		wildlife.
19	We love our pets	Recognizes an organization that
20		assists local member agencies of
21		the federation of animal welfare
22		and control agencies to promote
23		and perform spay/neuter surgery
24		on Washington state pets to
25		reduce pet overpopulation.
26	Wild on Washington	Symbolizes wildlife viewing in
27		Washington state.

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

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

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

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

13 In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
 14 application for a vehicle registration in chapter 46.16A RCW, the  
 15 holder of a special license plate shall pay the appropriate special  
 16 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
(13) Law enforcement memorial	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(14) Military affiliate radio system	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070

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

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

9       **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.68.420 and 2018 c 67 s 2 are each amended to read  
10 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 account until the department determines that the state has  
21 been reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license  
22 plate. Upon determination by the department that the state has been  
23 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special  
24 license plate fee amounts for each special license plate to the  
25 following appropriate account as created in this section in the  
26 custody of the state treasurer:

27	ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR USE OF
28		FUNDS
29	4-H programs	Support Washington 4-H
30		programs
31	Fred Hutch	Support cancer research at the
32		Fred Hutchinson cancer research
33		center
34	Gonzaga University alumni	Scholarship funds to needy and
35	association	qualified students attending or
36		planning to attend Gonzaga
37		University



1	Helping kids speak	Provide free diagnostic and
2		therapeutic services to families of
3		children who suffer from a delay
4		in language or speech
5		development
6	Law enforcement memorial	Provide support and assistance to
7		survivors and families of law
8		enforcement officers in
9		Washington killed in the line of
10		duty and to organize, finance,
11		fund, construct, utilize, and
12		maintain a memorial on the state
13		capitol grounds to honor those
14		fallen officers
15	Lighthouse environmental	Support selected Washington state
16	programs	lighthouses that are accessible to
17		the public and staffed by
18		volunteers; provide environmental
19		education programs; provide
20		grants for other Washington
21		lighthouses to assist in funding
22		infrastructure preservation and
23		restoration; encourage and support
24		interpretive programs by
25		lighthouse docents
26	Music matters awareness	Promote music education in
27		schools throughout Washington
28	<u>San Juan Islands programs</u>	<u>Provide funds to the Madrona</u>
29		<u>institute</u>

1 Seattle Mariners Provide funds to the sports  
2 mentoring program and to support  
3 the Washington world fellows  
4 program in the following manner:  
5 (a) Seventy-five percent to the  
6 office of the lieutenant governor  
7 solely to administer the sports  
8 mentoring program established  
9 under RCW 43.15.100, to  
10 encourage youth who have  
11 economic needs or face  
12 adversities to experience spectator  
13 sports or get involved in youth  
14 sports, and (b) up to twenty-five  
15 percent to the office of the  
16 lieutenant governor solely to  
17 administer the Washington world  
18 fellows program, an equity  
19 focused program

20 Seattle Seahawks Provide funds to InvestED and to  
21 support the Washington world  
22 fellows program in the following  
23 manner: (a) Seventy-five percent,  
24 to InvestED, to encourage  
25 secondary students who have  
26 economic needs to stay in school,  
27 return to school, or get involved  
28 within their learning community;  
29 and (b) twenty-five percent to the  
30 office of the lieutenant governor  
31 solely to administer the  
32 Washington world fellows  
33 program, including the provision  
34 of fellowships

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

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

1 Washington tennis Provide funds to cities to assist in  
2 the construction and maintenance  
3 of a public tennis facility with at  
4 least four indoor tennis courts. A  
5 city is eligible for construction  
6 funds if the city does not already  
7 have a public or private facility  
8 with at least four indoor tennis  
9 courts. Funds for construction  
10 must first be made available to the  
11 most populous eligible city,  
12 according to the most recent  
13 census, for a time period not to  
14 exceed five years after January 1,  
15 2017. After the five-year time  
16 period, the funds for construction  
17 must be made available to the  
18 next most populous eligible city.  
19 Funds for the maintenance of a  
20 public tennis facility with at least  
21 four indoor tennis courts must  
22 first be made available to the first  
23 eligible city that utilizes funds for  
24 construction provided by chapter  
25 16, Laws of 2016

26 Washington's national park fund Build awareness of Washington's  
27 national parks and support priority  
28 park programs and projects in  
29 Washington's national parks, such  
30 as enhancing visitor experience,  
31 promoting volunteerism, engaging  
32 communities, and providing  
33 educational opportunities related  
34 to Washington's national parks

1 We love our pets

Support and enable the

2 Washington federation of animal

3 welfare and control agencies to

4 promote and perform spay/neuter

5 surgery of Washington state pets

6 in order to reduce pet population

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

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

18 (5) Funds from the Seattle Seahawks account may be provided to  
19 the lieutenant governor solely for the purpose of administering the  
20 Washington world fellows program. Of the amounts received by the  
21 lieutenant governor's office under this subsection, at least ninety  
22 percent must be provided as fellowships under the program.

23 (6) Beginning January 1, 2019, funds from the Seattle Mariners  
24 account may be provided to the office of lieutenant governor solely  
25 for the purpose of administering the sports mentoring program. Of the  
26 amounts received by the office of lieutenant governor, at least  
27 ninety percent must be applied towards services directly provided to  
28 youth participants.

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

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

36 "San Juan Islands license plates" means license plates issued  
37 under RCW 46.18.200 that display a symbol or artwork recognizing the  
38 San Juan Islands in Washington state.

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

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Passed by the Senate April 13, 2019.

Approved by the Governor April 29, 2019.

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