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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6140**

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**By** Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Winsley, Schow, Haugen, Drew and Thibaudeau)

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1 AN ACT Relating to special license plates; amending RCW 46.16.313;  
2 and providing an effective date.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.16.313 and 1995 3rd sp.s. c 1 s 103 are each  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (1) If the requesting party chooses not to set an additional fee as  
7 provided in subsection (3) of this section, the department may  
8 establish a fee for each type of special license plates issued under  
9 RCW 46.16.301(~~((1) (a), (b), or (c))~~) in an amount calculated to offset  
10 the cost of production of the special license plates and the  
11 administration of this program. The fee shall not exceed thirty-five  
12 dollars and is in addition to all other fees required to register and  
13 license the vehicle for which the plates have been requested. All such  
14 additional special license plate fees collected by the department shall  
15 be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the motor vehicle  
16 fund.

17 (2) (~~In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon~~  
18 ~~application, registration, and renewal registration of a motor vehicle,~~  
19 ~~the holder of a collegiate license plate shall pay a fee of thirty~~

1 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two  
2 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration  
3 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds, minus  
4 the cost of plate production, shall be remitted to the custody of the  
5 state treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report. The state  
6 treasurer shall credit the funds to the appropriate collegiate license  
7 plate fund as provided in RCW 28B.10.890.

8 (3) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
9 application, registration, and renewal registration of a motor vehicle,  
10 the holder of a special baseball stadium license plate shall pay a fee  
11 of thirty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed  
12 two dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for  
13 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining  
14 proceeds, minus the cost of plate production, shall be distributed to  
15 a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest payments  
16 on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium, as  
17 defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary  
18 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW  
19 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds  
20 to the state general fund.)) The department shall estimate its costs,  
21 both direct and indirect, to create, design, and procure the first  
22 minimum order for materials and production of special license plates  
23 authorized under RCW 46.16.301. The requesting party shall pay the  
24 department the estimated costs associated with the first minimum order  
25 and maintenance of a minimum inventory for additional sales upon the  
26 department authorizing the special license plate series. Payments from  
27 the requesting parties shall be deposited in a dedicated special  
28 license plate account within the motor vehicle fund. Payments  
29 deposited in the dedicated special license plate account are earmarked  
30 for production of the requested license plate series and are to be  
31 returned to the department's current biennium operating budget. The  
32 department shall develop a form to facilitate the presale of special  
33 license plates by requesting parties.

34 (3) The department may collect, in addition to all fees and taxes  
35 required to be paid upon application, registration, and renewal  
36 registration of a motor vehicle, an additional fee from the holder of  
37 a special license plate. The additional fee will be set by the party  
38 requesting issuance of the special license plate series. If the  
39 requesting party chooses not to set an additional fee, the fee

1 authorized in subsection (1) of this section applies. The state  
2 treasurer, upon request of the department, may create accounts for  
3 deposit of the additional fees. The department shall remit the  
4 additional fees to the state treasurer with a proper identifying  
5 report. The state treasurer shall credit the funds to the appropriate  
6 account and remit the proceeds to the requesting party on a quarterly  
7 basis. No appropriations are required for expenditures from the  
8 accounts created under this subsection.

9 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act takes effect January 1, 1997, but  
10 the department of licensing and the state treasurer shall take all  
11 steps necessary before that date in order that this act may be fully  
12 implemented upon that date.

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