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3 By Senators Rossi, Jacobsen, Haugen, Patterson and Hochstatter

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5 On page 3, after line 16, insert the following:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** A new section is added to chapter 46.16
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 The department, the Washington state patrol, and the department of
9 fish and wildlife shall jointly create, design, and issue a special
10 salmon license plate that may be used in lieu of regular or
11 personalized license plates for motor vehicles required to display two
12 motor vehicle license plates, excluding vehicles registered under
13 chapter 46.87 RCW, upon terms and conditions established by the
14 department. The special plates will observe the importance of salmonid
15 to Washington state and help fund the restoration of salmon and
16 steelhead species listed under the federal Endangered Species Act.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** A new section is added to chapter 75.46 RCW
18 to read as follows:

19 The salmon species enrichment license fees account is created in
20 the state treasury. All receipts from salmon species enrichment
21 license fees, less the administration and collection costs incurred by
22 the department under RCW 46.16.313 (6) and (7) must be deposited into
23 the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after
24 appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used only for the
25 preservation, protection, perpetuation, education, and enhancement of
26 salmon species.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** A new section is added to chapter 75.46 RCW
28 to read as follows:

29 (1) On an annual basis, the department of fish and wildlife shall
30 solicit, from the public and private sector, proposed salmon
31 preservation, protection, perpetuation, education, and enhancement
32 projects and prioritize projects it recommends for funding from the
33 salmon species enrichment license fees account by giving preference to
34 projects that:

1 (a) Provide a greater benefit to salmon recovery;
2 (b) Will be implemented in a more critical area;
3 (c) Are the most cost-effective;
4 (d) Have the greatest matched or in-kind funding; and
5 (e) Will be implemented by a sponsor with a successful record of
6 implementation.

7 (2) In selecting such projects, the department shall attempt to
8 assure a geographical balance in assigning priorities to projects.

9 (3) On an annual basis, the department shall report to the
10 legislature on its selection process and the projects recommended for
11 funding. The legislature, in its sole discretion, shall select and
12 make appropriations for salmon preservation, protection, perpetuation,
13 education, and enhancement projects from the salmon species enrichment
14 license fees account.

15 (4) The department may adopt rules necessary to implement this
16 section.

17 **Sec. 13.** RCW 46.16.313 and 1997 c 291 s 8 are each amended to read
18 as follows:

19 (1) The department may establish a fee for each type of special
20 license plates issued under RCW 46.16.301(1) (a), (b), or (c), as
21 existing before amendment by section 5, chapter 291, Laws of 1997, in
22 an amount calculated to offset the cost of production of the special
23 license plates and the administration of this program. Until December
24 31, 1997, the fee shall not exceed thirty-five dollars, but effective
25 with vehicle registrations due or to become due on January 1, 1998, the
26 department may adjust the fee to no more than forty dollars. This fee
27 is in addition to all other fees required to register and license the
28 vehicle for which the plates have been requested. All such additional
29 special license plate fees collected by the department shall be
30 deposited in the state treasury and credited to the motor vehicle fund.

31 ~~(2) ((Until December 31, 1997, in addition to all fees and taxes~~
32 ~~required to be paid upon application, registration, and renewal~~
33 ~~registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a collegiate license~~
34 ~~plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The department shall deduct~~
35 ~~an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee collected under this~~
36 ~~subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by it.~~
37 ~~The remaining proceeds, minus the cost of plate production, shall be~~
38 ~~remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper~~

1 identifying detailed report. The state treasurer shall credit the
2 funds to the appropriate collegiate license plate fund as provided in
3 RCW 28B.10.890.

4 ~~((3) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on~~
5 ~~January 1, 1998,))~~ (3) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be
6 paid upon application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder
7 of a collegiate license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty
8 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve
9 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
10 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall
11 be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper
12 identifying detailed report. The state treasurer shall credit the
13 funds to the appropriate collegiate license plate fund as provided in
14 RCW 28B.10.890.

15 ~~((4) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on~~
16 ~~January 1, 1999,))~~ (3) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be
17 paid upon renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a
18 collegiate license plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The
19 department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee
20 collected under this subsection for administration and collection
21 expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall be remitted to
22 the custody of the state treasurer with a proper identifying detailed
23 report. The state treasurer shall credit the funds to the appropriate
24 collegiate license plate fund as provided in RCW 28B.10.890.

25 ~~((5))~~ (4) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid
26 upon application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a
27 special baseball stadium license plate shall pay an initial fee of
28 forty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed
29 twelve dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for
30 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining
31 proceeds, minus the cost of plate production, shall be distributed to
32 a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest payments
33 on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium, as
34 defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary
35 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW
36 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds
37 to the state general fund.

38 ~~((6) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on~~
39 ~~January 1, 1999,))~~ (5) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be

1 paid upon renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a
2 special baseball stadium license plate shall pay a fee of thirty
3 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two
4 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
5 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall
6 be distributed to a county for the purpose of paying the principal and
7 interest payments on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball
8 stadium, as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary
9 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW
10 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds
11 to the state general fund.

12 (6) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on
13 January 1, 2000, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid
14 upon application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a
15 salmon license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty dollars. The
16 department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve dollars of each
17 fee collected under this subsection for administration and collection
18 expenses incurred by it. The department shall remit the remaining
19 proceeds to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper
20 identifying detailed report. The state treasurer shall credit the
21 funds to the salmon species enrichment license fees account.

22 (7) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on January
23 1, 2000, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
24 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a salmon license
25 plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The department shall deduct
26 an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee collected under this
27 subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by it.
28 The department shall remit the remaining proceeds to the custody of the
29 state treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report. The state
30 treasurer shall credit the funds to the salmon species enrichment
31 license fees account.

32 **Sec. 14.** RCW 46.16.233 and 1997 c 291 s 2 are each amended to read
33 as follows:

34 Except for those license plates issued under RCW 46.16.305(1)
35 before January 1, 1987, under RCW 46.16.305(3), under section 1 of this
36 act, and to commercial vehicles with a gross weight in excess of
37 twenty-six thousand pounds, effective with vehicle registrations due or
38 to become due on January 1, 2001, all vehicle license plates must be

1 issued on a standard background, as designated by the department.
2 Additionally, to ensure maximum legibility and reflectivity, the
3 department shall periodically provide for the replacement of license
4 plates. Frequency of replacement shall be established in accordance
5 with empirical studies documenting the longevity of the reflective
6 materials used to make license plates.

7 **Sec. 15.** RCW 46.16.290 and 1997 c 291 s 4 are each amended to read
8 as follows:

9 In any case of a valid sale or transfer of the ownership of any
10 vehicle, the right to the certificates properly transferable therewith,
11 except as provided in RCW 46.16.280, and to the vehicle license plates
12 passes to the purchaser or transferee. It is unlawful for the holder
13 of such certificates, except as provided in RCW 46.16.280, or vehicle
14 license plates to fail, neglect, or refuse to endorse the certificates
15 and deliver the vehicle license plates to the purchaser or transferee.
16 If the sale or transfer is of a vehicle licensed by the state or any
17 county, city, town, school district, or other political subdivision
18 entitled to exemption as provided by law, or, if the vehicle is
19 licensed with personalized plates, amateur radio operator plates, medal
20 of honor plates, disabled person plates, disabled veteran plates,
21 prisoner of war plates, salmon plates, or other special license plates
22 issued under RCW 46.16.301 as it existed before amendment by section 5,
23 chapter 291, Laws of 1997, the vehicle license plates therefor shall be
24 retained and may be displayed upon a vehicle obtained in replacement of
25 the vehicle so sold or transferred."

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29 On page 3, on line 20 of the title amendment, after "stamps" strike
30 the remainder of the title amendment and insert "and salmon species
31 enrichment license plates; amending RCW 75.50.125, 46.16.313,
32 46.16.233, and 46.16.290; adding a new section to chapter 46.16 RCW;
33 adding new sections to chapter 77.12 RCW; adding new sections to
34 chapter 75.46 RCW; and creating a new section."

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EFFECT: Creates the salmon species enrichment license plate.