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1 AN ACT Relating to special motorcycle license plates; amending RCW
2 46.16.313 and 46.16.316; adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and
3 adding a new section to chapter 46.16 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 "H.O.G." motorcycle license plate means a license plate that
8 displays a symbol of the sponsor of the Harley Owner's Group.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 46.16 RCW
10 to read as follows:

11 The department shall create, design, and issue a special H.O.G.
12 license plate that may be used in lieu of regular or personalized
13 license plates for motorcycles, upon terms and conditions established
14 by the department. The special license plates will commemorate the
15 Harley Owner's Group and their goal of increasing the number of riders
16 of all skill levels who are able to attend motorcycle safety education
17 programs in Washington.

1 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.16.313 and 1997 c 291 s 8 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 (1) The department may establish a fee of no more than forty
4 dollars for each type of special license plates issued under RCW
5 46.16.301(1) (a), (b), or (c), as existing before amendment by section
6 5, chapter 291, Laws of 1997, in an amount calculated to offset the
7 cost of production of the special license plates and the administration
8 of this program. (~~Until December 31, 1997, the fee shall not exceed~~
9 ~~thirty five dollars, but effective with vehicle registrations due or to~~
10 ~~become due on January 1, 1998, the department may adjust the fee to no~~
11 ~~more than forty dollars.)) This fee is in addition to all other fees
12 required to register and license the vehicle for which the plates have
13 been requested. All such additional special license plate fees
14 collected by the department shall be deposited in the state treasury
15 and credited to the motor vehicle fund.~~

16 (2) (~~Until December 31, 1997, in addition to all fees and taxes~~
17 ~~required to be paid upon application, registration, and renewal~~
18 ~~registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a collegiate license~~
19 ~~plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The department shall deduct~~
20 ~~an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee collected under this~~
21 ~~subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by it.~~
22 ~~The remaining proceeds, minus the cost of plate production, shall be~~
23 ~~remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper~~
24 ~~identifying detailed report. The state treasurer shall credit the~~
25 ~~funds to the appropriate collegiate license plate fund as provided in~~
26 ~~RCW 28B.10.890.~~

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

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

11 ~~((5))~~ (4) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid
12 upon application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a
13 special baseball stadium license plate shall pay an initial fee of
14 forty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed
15 twelve dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for
16 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining
17 proceeds, minus the cost of plate production, shall be distributed to
18 a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest payments
19 on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium, as
20 defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary
21 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW
22 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds
23 to the state general fund.

24 ~~((6) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on~~
25 ~~January 1, 1999,))~~ (5) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be
26 paid upon renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a
27 special baseball stadium license plate shall pay a fee of thirty
28 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two
29 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
30 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall
31 be distributed to a county for the purpose of paying the principal and
32 interest payments on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball
33 stadium, as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary
34 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW
35 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds
36 to the state general fund.

37 (6) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on
38 January 1, 2004, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid

1 upon application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a
2 H.O.G. motorcycle license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty
3 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve
4 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
5 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds must be
6 deposited in the state treasury and credited to the motorcycle safety
7 education account created under RCW 46.68.065.

8 (7) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on January
9 1, 2005, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
10 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a H.O.G.
11 motorcycle license plate shall, upon application, pay a fee of thirty
12 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two
13 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
14 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds must be
15 deposited in the state treasury and credited to the motorcycle safety
16 education account created under RCW 46.68.065.

17 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.16.316 and 1997 c 291 s 10 are each amended to read
18 as follows:

19 Except as provided in RCW 46.16.305:

20 (1) When a person who has been issued a special license plate or
21 plates under section 2 of this act or RCW 46.16.301 as it existed
22 before amendment by section 5, chapter 291, Laws of 1997, sells,
23 trades, or otherwise transfers or releases ownership of the vehicle
24 upon which the special license plate or plates have been displayed, he
25 or she shall immediately report the transfer of such plate or plates to
26 an acquired vehicle or vehicle eligible for such plates pursuant to
27 departmental rule, or he or she shall surrender such plates to the
28 department immediately if such surrender is required by departmental
29 rule. If a person applies for a transfer of the plate or plates to
30 another eligible vehicle, a transfer fee of five dollars shall be
31 charged in addition to all other applicable fees. Such transfer fees
32 shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund. Failure to surrender the
33 plates when required is a traffic infraction.

34 (2) If the special license plate or plates issued by the department
35 become lost, defaced, damaged, or destroyed, application for a
36 replacement special license plate or plates shall be made and fees paid
37 as provided by law for the replacement of regular license plates.

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