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By House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Ericksen, Lovick, Upthegrove, Eickmeyer, Williams, Chase, Hinkle and Sells)

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1 AN ACT Relating to Washington's Wildlife license plate collection;
2 amending RCW 77.12.170; reenacting and amending RCW 46.16.313; and
3 adding new sections 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 46.16 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The legislature recognizes that the Washington's Wildlife
8 license plate collection, to include three distinct designs including
9 bear, deer, and elk, has been reviewed by the special license plate
10 review board under RCW 46.16.725 and was found to fully comply with all
11 provisions of RCW 46.16.715 through 46.16.775.

12 (2) The department shall issue a special license plate collection
13 displaying a symbol or artwork, approved by the special license plate
14 review board and the legislature, recognizing Washington's wildlife,
15 that may be used in lieu of regular or personalized license plates for
16 motor vehicles required to display one or two motor vehicle license
17 plates, excluding vehicles registered under chapter 46.87 RCW, upon
18 terms and conditions established by the department.

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

3 For the purposes of RCW 46.16.313 and section 1 of this act, the
4 term "Washington's Wildlife license plate collection" means the
5 collection of three separate license plate designs issued under section
6 1 of this act. Each license plate design displays a distinct symbol or
7 artwork recognizing the wildlife of Washington, to include bear, deer,
8 and elk.

9 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.16.313 and 2004 c 221 s 3, 2004 c 48 s 3, and 2004
10 c 35 s 3 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

11 (1) The department may establish a fee of no more than forty
12 dollars for each type of special license plates issued under RCW
13 46.16.301(1) (a), (b), or (c), as existing before amendment by section
14 5, chapter 291, Laws of 1997, in an amount calculated to offset the
15 cost of production of the special license plates and the administration
16 of this program. This fee is in addition to all other fees required to
17 register and license the vehicle for which the plates have been
18 requested. All such additional special license plate fees collected by
19 the department shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to
20 the motor vehicle fund.

21 (2) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
22 application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a
23 collegiate license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty dollars.
24 The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve dollars of
25 each fee collected under this subsection for administration and
26 collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall be
27 remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper
28 identifying detailed report. The state treasurer shall credit the
29 funds to the appropriate collegiate license plate fund as provided in
30 RCW 28B.10.890.

31 (3) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
32 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a collegiate
33 license plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The department shall
34 deduct an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee collected under
35 this subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by
36 it. The remaining proceeds shall be remitted to the custody of the

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

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

17 (5) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
18 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a special
19 baseball stadium license plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The
20 department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee
21 collected under this subsection for administration and collection
22 expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall be distributed
23 to a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest
24 payments on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium,
25 as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary
26 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW
27 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds
28 to the state general fund.

29 (6) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on
30 January 1, 2005, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid
31 upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder of a
32 professional fire fighters and paramedics license plate shall pay an
33 initial fee of forty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount
34 not to exceed twelve dollars of each fee collected under this
35 subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by it.
36 The remaining proceeds must be remitted to the custody of the state
37 treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report. Under RCW
38 46.16.755, the state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor

1 vehicle account until the department determines that the state has been
2 reimbursed for the cost of implementing the professional fire fighters
3 and paramedics license plates. Upon the determination by the
4 department that the state has been reimbursed, the treasurer shall
5 credit the proceeds to the Washington State Council of Fire Fighters
6 benevolent fund established under RCW 46.16.30902.

7 (7) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on January
8 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
9 renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a professional fire
10 fighters and paramedics license plate shall, upon application, pay a
11 fee of thirty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to
12 exceed two dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for
13 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining
14 proceeds must be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a
15 proper identifying detailed report. Under RCW 46.16.755, the state
16 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until
17 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the
18 cost of implementing the professional fire fighters and paramedics
19 special license plate. Upon the determination by the department that
20 the state has been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds
21 to the Washington State Council of Fire Fighters benevolent fund
22 established under RCW 46.16.30902.

23 (8) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on
24 November 1, 2004, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid
25 upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder of a
26 "Helping Kids Speak" license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty
27 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve
28 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
29 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds must be
30 remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper
31 identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state
32 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until
33 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the
34 cost of implementing the "Helping Kids Speak" special license plate.
35 Upon the determination by the department that the state has been
36 reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the "Helping
37 Kids Speak" account established under RCW 46.16.30904.

1 (9) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on November
2 1, 2005, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
3 renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a "Helping Kids Speak"
4 license plate shall, upon application, pay a fee of thirty dollars.
5 The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two dollars of each
6 fee collected under this subsection for administration and collection
7 expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds must be remitted to
8 the custody of the state treasurer with a proper identifying detailed
9 report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state treasurer shall credit
10 the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until the department
11 determines that the state has been reimbursed for the cost of
12 implementing the "Helping Kids Speak" special license plate. Upon the
13 determination by the department that the state has been reimbursed, the
14 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the "Helping Kids Speak" account
15 established under RCW 46.16.30904.

16 (10) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on
17 January 1, 2005, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid
18 upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder of a "law
19 enforcement memorial" license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty
20 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve
21 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
22 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall
23 be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper
24 identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state
25 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until
26 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the
27 cost of implementing the law enforcement memorial special license
28 plate. Upon the determination by the department that the state has
29 been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the law
30 enforcement memorial account established under RCW 46.16.30906.

31 (11) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on January
32 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
33 renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a "law enforcement
34 memorial" license plate shall, upon application, pay a fee of thirty
35 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two
36 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
37 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall
38 be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper

1 identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state
2 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until
3 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the
4 cost of implementing the law enforcement memorial special license
5 plate. Upon the determination by the department that the state has
6 been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the law
7 enforcement memorial account established under RCW 46.16.30906.

8 (12) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on
9 or after January 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required to
10 be paid upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder of
11 a Washington's Wildlife collection license plate shall pay an initial
12 fee of forty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to
13 exceed twelve dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for
14 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining
15 proceeds shall be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with
16 a proper identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the
17 state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account
18 until the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for
19 the cost of implementing the Washington's Wildlife license plate
20 collection. Upon determination by the department that the state has
21 been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the state
22 wildlife account. Proceeds credited to the state wildlife account from
23 the sale of the Washington's Wildlife license plate collection shall be
24 used only for the department of fish and wildlife's game species
25 management activities.

26 (13) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on or
27 after January 1, 2007, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be
28 paid upon renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a
29 Washington's Wildlife collection license plate shall, upon application,
30 pay a fee of thirty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not
31 to exceed two dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for
32 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining
33 proceeds shall be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with
34 a proper identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the
35 state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account
36 until the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for
37 the cost of implementing the Washington's Wildlife license plate
38 collection. Upon determination by the department that the state has

1 been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the state
2 wildlife account. Proceeds credited to the state wildlife account from
3 the sale of the Washington's Wildlife license plate collection shall be
4 used only for the department of fish and wildlife's game species
5 management activities.

6 **Sec. 4.** RCW 77.12.170 and 2004 c 248 s 4 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 (1) There is established in the state treasury the state wildlife
9 (~~fund~~) account which consists of moneys received from:

10 (a) Rentals or concessions of the department;

11 (b) The sale of real or personal property held for department
12 purposes;

13 (c) The sale of licenses, permits, tags, and stamps required by
14 chapter 77.32 RCW and RCW 77.65.490, except annual resident adult
15 saltwater and all annual razor clam and shellfish licenses, which shall
16 be deposited into the state general fund;

17 (d) Fees for informational materials published by the department;

18 (e) Fees for personalized vehicle license plates and Washington's
19 Wildlife license plate collection as provided in chapter 46.16 RCW;

20 (f) Articles or wildlife sold by the director under this title;

21 (g) Compensation for damage to department property or wildlife
22 losses or contributions, gifts, or grants received under RCW 77.12.320;

23 (h) Excise tax on anadromous game fish collected under chapter
24 82.27 RCW;

25 (i) The sale of personal property seized by the department for
26 fish, shellfish, or wildlife violations;

27 (j) The department's share of revenues from auctions and raffles
28 authorized by the commission; and

29 (k) The sale of watchable wildlife decals under RCW 77.32.560.

30 (2) State and county officers receiving any moneys listed in
31 subsection (1) of this section shall deposit them in the state treasury
32 to be credited to the state wildlife (~~fund~~) account.

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