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1 AN ACT Relating to the "share the road" special license plate;
2 reenacting and amending RCW 46.16.313; adding new sections to chapter
3 46.16 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 46.04 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 the "share the road" license plate
8 has been reviewed by the special license plate review board under RCW
9 46.16.725, and found to fully comply with all provisions of RCW
10 46.16.715 through 46.16.775.

11 (2) The department shall issue a special license plate displaying
12 a symbol, approved by the special license plate review board,
13 recognizing an organization that promotes bicycle safety and awareness
14 education. The special license plate may be used in lieu of regular or
15 personalized license plates for vehicles required to display one or two
16 vehicle license plates, excluding vehicles registered under chapter
17 46.87 RCW, upon terms and conditions established by the department.
18 The special plates will commemorate an organization that promotes

1 bicycle safety and awareness education in communities throughout
2 Washington.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 "Share the road license plates" means license plates that display
6 a symbol of an organization that promotes bicycle safety and awareness
7 education in communities throughout Washington.

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

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

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

30 (3) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
31 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a collegiate
32 license plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The department shall
33 deduct an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee collected under
34 this subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by
35 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)(a) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due
9 on or after January 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required
10 to be paid upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder
11 of a "share the road" license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty
12 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve
13 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
14 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall
15 be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper
16 identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state
17 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until
18 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the
19 cost of implementing the "share the road" special license plate. Upon
20 the determination by the department that the state has been reimbursed,
21 the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the share the road account
22 established under section 4 of this act.

23 (b) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on or after
24 January 1, 2007, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid
25 upon renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a "share the
26 road" license plate shall, upon application, pay a fee of thirty
27 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two
28 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
29 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall
30 be 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 "share the road" special license plate. Upon
35 the determination by the department that the state has been reimbursed,
36 the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the share the road account
37 established under section 4 of this act.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 46.16 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 (1) The share the road account is created in the custody of the
4 state treasurer. Upon the department's determination that the state
5 has been reimbursed for the cost of implementing the "share the road"
6 license plate, all receipts, except as provided in RCW 46.16.313 (6)
7 and (7), from the "share the road" license plate must be deposited into
8 the account. Only the director or the director's designee may
9 authorize expenditures from this account. The account is subject to
10 the allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation
11 is not required for expenditures.

12 (2) Funds in the account must be disbursed subject to the following
13 conditions and limitations:

14 (a) Under the requirements of RCW 46.16.765, the department must
15 contract with a qualified nonprofit organization for the purpose of the
16 organization promoting bicycle safety and awareness education in
17 communities throughout Washington.

18 (b) For the purposes of this section, a "qualified nonprofit
19 organization" means a not-for-profit corporation operating in
20 Washington that has received a determination of tax exempt status under
21 section 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code. The
22 organization must promote bicycle safety and awareness education in
23 communities throughout Washington.

24 (c) The qualified nonprofit organization must meet all requirements
25 of RCW 46.16.765.

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