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By House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Anderson, Kessler, Ericksen, Linville, McCune and Morrell)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the "Washington's National Park Fund" special
2 license plate; reenacting and amending RCW 46.16.313; adding new
3 sections to chapter 46.16 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter
4 46.04 RCW.

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

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

8 (1) The legislature recognizes that the "Washington's National Park
9 Fund" license plate has been reviewed by the special license plate
10 review board under RCW 46.16.725, and found to fully comply with RCW
11 46.16.715 through 46.16.775.

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

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

3 "Washington's National Park Fund license plates" means license
4 plates issued under section 1 of this act that display a symbol or
5 artwork recognizing the efforts of Washington's National Park Fund in
6 preserving Washington's national parks for future generations in
7 Washington state.

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
36 state treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report. The state

1 treasurer shall credit the funds to the appropriate collegiate license
2 plate fund as provided in RCW 28B.10.890.

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

16 (5) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
17 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a special
18 baseball stadium 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 distributed
22 to a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest
23 payments on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium,
24 as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary
25 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW
26 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds
27 to the state general fund.

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

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

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

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

37 (9) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on November
38 1, 2005, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon

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

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

29 (11) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on January
30 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
31 renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a "law enforcement
32 memorial" license plate shall, upon application, pay a fee of thirty
33 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two
34 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration
35 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall
36 be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper
37 identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state
38 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until

1 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the
2 cost of implementing the law enforcement memorial special license
3 plate. Upon the determination by the department that the state has
4 been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the law
5 enforcement memorial account established under RCW 46.16.30906.

6 (12) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on
7 or after January 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required to
8 be paid upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder of
9 a "Washington's National Park Fund" license plate shall pay an initial
10 fee of forty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to
11 exceed twelve dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for
12 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining
13 proceeds must be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a
14 proper identifying detailed report. Under RCW 46.16.755, the state
15 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until
16 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the
17 cost of implementing the "Washington's National Park Fund" license
18 plate. Upon determination by the department that the state has been
19 reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the
20 "Washington's National Park Fund" account established under section 4
21 of this act.

22 (13) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on or
23 after January 1, 2007, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be
24 paid upon renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a
25 "Washington's National Park Fund" license plate shall, upon
26 application, pay a fee of thirty dollars. The department shall deduct
27 an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee collected under this
28 subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by it.
29 The remaining proceeds must be remitted to the custody of the state
30 treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report. Under RCW
31 46.16.755, the state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor
32 vehicle account until the department determines that the state has been
33 reimbursed for the cost of implementing the "Washington's National Park
34 Fund" license plate. Upon determination by the department that the
35 state has been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to
36 the "Washington's National Park Fund" account established under section
37 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 "Washington's National Park Fund" account is created in the
4 custody of the state treasurer. Upon the department's determination
5 that the state had been reimbursed for the cost of implementing the
6 "Washington's National Park Fund" special license plate, all receipts,
7 except as provided in RCW 46.16.313 (12) and (13), from "Washington's
8 National Park Fund" license plates must be deposited into the account.
9 Only the director of the department of licensing or the director's
10 designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is
11 subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an
12 appropriation is not required for expenditures.

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

15 (a) Under the requirements set out in RCW 46.16.765, the department
16 must contract with a qualified nonprofit organization to build
17 awareness of Washington's national parks and to support priority park
18 programs and projects in Washington's national parks.

19 (b) For the purpose of this section, a "qualified nonprofit
20 organization" means a not-for-profit corporation incorporated and of
21 tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the federal internal
22 revenue code. The organization must have been established for the
23 express purposes of educational and charitable activities as set forth
24 in 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3).

25 (c) The qualified nonprofit organization must meet all requirements
26 set out in RCW 46.16.765.

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