

FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 6254

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Authorizing the issuance of Purple Heart license plates for more than one motor vehicle.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Sheldon, Bailey, Rivers, Roach, O'Ban, Hill, Becker, Miloscia, Angel, Warnick, Honeyford, Padden, Hobbs, Pearson, Hargrove, Braun, Dammeier, Fain, Parlette, Hewitt, Schoesler, Baumgartner, Ericksen, Rolfes, Conway, Mullet and Chase).

Senate Committee on Transportation
House Committee on Transportation

Background: A registered owner of a motor vehicle in Washington State who has served in the armed forces and has been awarded a Purple Heart medal may qualify for a Purple Heart license plate. Purple Heart license plates must be issued without the payment of an additional special license plate fee. Surviving spouses or domestic partners may also qualify for a Purple Heart license plate.

Summary: Qualified individuals are eligible to buy additional plates at a cost of \$40 for the initial fee, and \$30 upon renewal. The original plates will remain free of charge. Revenue from the additional plates must be deposited into the Veterans' Stewardship Account for the following:

- providing programs and services for homeless veterans;
- establishing memorials honoring veterans; and
- maintaining a future state veterans' cemetery.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	49	0
House	97	0

Effective: July 1, 2017

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