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1 AN ACT Relating to creating Patches pal special license plates;
2 amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and 46.68.420; adding a new
3 section to chapter 46.04 RCW; and providing an effective date.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.18.200 and 2018 c 67 s 5 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) Special license plate series reviewed and approved by the
8 department:

9 (a) May be issued in lieu of standard issue or personalized
10 license plates for vehicles required to display one and two license
11 plates unless otherwise specified;

12 (b) Must be issued under terms and conditions established by the
13 department;

14 (c) Must not be issued for vehicles registered under chapter
15 46.87 RCW; and

16 (d) Must display a symbol or artwork approved by the department.

17 (2) The department approves and shall issue the following special
18 license plates:

19	LICENSE PLATE	DESCRIPTION, SYMBOL, OR
20		ARTWORK

1	4-H	Displays the "4-H" logo.
2	Armed forces collection	Recognizes the contribution of
3		veterans, active duty military
4		personnel, reservists, and
5		members of the national guard,
6		and includes six separate designs,
7		each containing a symbol
8		representing a different branch of
9		the armed forces to include army,
10		navy, air force, marine corps,
11		coast guard, and national guard.
12	Breast cancer awareness	Displays a pink ribbon
13		symbolizing breast cancer
14		awareness.
15	Endangered wildlife	Displays a symbol or artwork
16		symbolizing endangered wildlife
17		in Washington state.
18	Fred Hutch	Displays the Fred Hutch logo.
19	Gonzaga University alumni	Recognizes the Gonzaga
20	association	University alumni association.
21	Helping kids speak	Recognizes an organization that
22		supports programs that provide
23		no-cost speech pathology
24		programs to children.
25	Keep kids safe	Recognizes efforts to prevent
26		child abuse and neglect.
27	Law enforcement memorial	Honors law enforcement officers
28		in Washington killed in the line of
29		duty.
30	Music matters	Displays the "Music Matters"
31		logo.
32	<u>Patches pal</u>	<u>Displays the likenesses of the J.P.</u>
33		<u>Patches and Gertrude characters</u>
34		<u>from the J.P. Patches show.</u>

1	Professional firefighters and	Recognizes professional
2	paramedics	firefighters and paramedics who
3		are members of the Washington
4		state council of firefighters.
5	Seattle Mariners	Displays the "Seattle Mariners"
6		logo.
7	Seattle Seahawks	Displays the "Seattle Seahawks"
8		logo.
9	Seattle Sounders FC	Displays the "Seattle Sounders
10		FC" logo.
11	Seattle University	Recognizes Seattle University.
12	Share the road	Recognizes an organization that
13		promotes bicycle safety and
14		awareness education.
15	Ski & ride Washington	Recognizes the Washington
16		snowsports industry.
17	State flower	Recognizes the Washington state
18		flower.
19	Volunteer firefighters	Recognizes volunteer firefighters.
20	Washington farmers and ranchers	Recognizes farmers and ranchers
21		in Washington state.
22	Washington lighthouses	Recognizes an organization that
23		supports selected Washington
24		state lighthouses and provides
25		environmental education
26		programs.
27	Washington state aviation	Displays a Stearman biplane in
28		the foreground with an image of
29		Mount Rainier in the background.
30	Washington state parks	Recognizes Washington state
31		parks as premier destinations of
32		uncommon quality that preserve
33		significant natural, cultural,
34		historical, and recreational
35		resources.

1	Washington state wrestling	Promotes and supports college
2		wrestling in the state of
3		Washington.
4	Washington tennis	Builds awareness and year-round
5		opportunities for tennis in
6		Washington state. Displays a
7		symbol or artwork recognizing
8		tennis in Washington state.
9	Washington's fish collection	Recognizes Washington's fish.
10	Washington's national park fund	Builds awareness of Washington's
11		national parks and supports
12		priority park programs and
13		projects in Washington's national
14		parks, such as enhancing visitor
15		experience, promoting
16		volunteerism, engaging
17		communities, and providing
18		educational opportunities related
19		to Washington's national parks.
20	Washington's wildlife collection	Recognizes Washington's
21		wildlife.
22	We love our pets	Recognizes an organization that
23		assists local member agencies of
24		the federation of animal welfare
25		and control agencies to promote
26		and perform spay/neuter surgery
27		on Washington state pets to
28		reduce pet overpopulation.
29	Wild on Washington	Symbolizes wildlife viewing in
30		Washington state.

31 (3) Applicants for initial and renewal professional firefighters
32 and paramedics special license plates must show proof of eligibility
33 by providing a certificate of current membership from the Washington
34 state council of firefighters.

35 (4) Applicants for initial volunteer firefighters special license
36 plates must (a) have been a volunteer firefighter for at least ten
37 years or be a volunteer firefighter for one or more years and (b)
38 have documentation of service from the district of the appropriate

1 fire service. If the volunteer firefighter leaves firefighting
 2 service before ten years of service have been completed, the
 3 volunteer firefighter shall surrender the license plates to the
 4 department on the registration renewal date. If the volunteer
 5 firefighter stays in service for at least ten years and then leaves,
 6 the license plate may be retained by the former volunteer firefighter
 7 and as long as the license plate is retained for use the person will
 8 continue to pay the future registration renewals. A qualifying
 9 volunteer firefighter may have no more than one set of license plates
 10 per vehicle, and a maximum of two sets per applicant, for their
 11 personal vehicles. If the volunteer firefighter is convicted of a
 12 violation of RCW 46.61.502 or a felony, the license plates must be
 13 surrendered upon conviction.

14 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.17.220 and 2018 c 67 s 4 are each amended to read
 15 as follows:

16 In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
 17 application for a vehicle registration in chapter 46.16A RCW, the
 18 holder of a special license plate shall pay the appropriate special
 19 license plate fee as listed in this section.

PLATE TYPE	INITIAL FEE	RENEWAL FEE	DISTRIBUTED UNDER
(1) 4-H	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(2) Amateur radio license	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
(3) Armed forces	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
(4) Breast cancer awareness	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
(5) Collector vehicle	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
(6) Collegiate	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.430
(7) Endangered wildlife	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
(8) Fred Hutch	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(9) Gonzaga University alumni association	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(10) Helping kids speak	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(11) Horseless carriage	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
(12) Keep kids safe	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425

1	(13) Law enforcement	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	memorial			
3	(14) Military affiliate radio	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
4	system			
5	(15) Music matters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
6	(16) <u>Patches pal</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.420</u>
7	(17) Professional	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
8	firefighters and			
9	paramedics			
10	((17)) (18) Purple Heart	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
11	((18)) (19) Ride share	\$ 25.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
12	((19)) (20) Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
13	Mariners			
14	((20)) (21) Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
15	Seahawks			
16	((21)) (22) Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
17	Sounders FC			
18	((22)) (23) Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
19	University			
20	((23)) (24) Share the road	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
21	((24)) (25) Ski & ride	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
22	Washington			
23	((25)) (26) Square dancer	\$ 40.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
24	((26)) (27) State flower	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
25	((27)) (28) Volunteer	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
26	firefighters			
27	((28)) (29) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
28	farmers and ranchers			
29	((29)) (30) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
30	lighthouses			
31	((30)) (31) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
32	state aviation			
33	((31)) (32) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
34	state parks			

1	((32)) (33) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	state wrestling			
3	((33)) (34) Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
4	tennis			
5	((34)) (35) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
6	fish collection			
7	((35)) (36) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
8	national parks			
9	((36)) (37) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
10	wildlife collection			
11	((37)) (38) We love our	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
12	pets			
13	((38)) (39) Wild on	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
14	Washington			

15 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.68.420 and 2018 c 67 s 2 are each amended to read
16 as follows:

- 17 (1) The department shall:
- 18 (a) Collect special license plate fees established under RCW
19 46.17.220;
- 20 (b) Deduct an amount not to exceed twelve dollars for initial
21 issue and two dollars for renewal issue for administration and
22 collection expenses incurred by it; and
- 23 (c) Remit the remaining proceeds to the custody of the state
24 treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report.
- 25 (2) The state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor
26 vehicle account until the department determines that the state has
27 been reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license
28 plate. Upon determination by the department that the state has been
29 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special
30 license plate fee amounts for each special license plate to the
31 following appropriate account as created in this section in the
32 custody of the state treasurer:

33	ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR USE OF
34		FUNDS
35	4-H programs	Support Washington 4-H
36		programs

1	Fred Hutch	Support cancer research at the
2		Fred Hutchinson cancer research
3		center
4	Gonzaga University alumni	Scholarship funds to needy and
5	association	qualified students attending or
6		planning to attend Gonzaga
7		University
8	Helping kids speak	Provide free diagnostic and
9		therapeutic services to families of
10		children who suffer from a delay
11		in language or speech
12		development
13	Law enforcement memorial	Provide support and assistance to
14		survivors and families of law
15		enforcement officers in
16		Washington killed in the line of
17		duty and to organize, finance,
18		fund, construct, utilize, and
19		maintain a memorial on the state
20		capitol grounds to honor those
21		fallen officers
22	Lighthouse environmental	Support selected Washington state
23	programs	lighthouses that are accessible to
24		the public and staffed by
25		volunteers; provide environmental
26		education programs; provide
27		grants for other Washington
28		lighthouses to assist in funding
29		infrastructure preservation and
30		restoration; encourage and support
31		interpretive programs by
32		lighthouse docents
33	Music matters awareness	Promote music education in
34		schools throughout Washington
35	<u>Patches pal</u>	<u>Provide funds to the Seattle</u>
36		<u>children's hospital strong against</u>
37		<u>cancer program</u>

1 Seattle Mariners Provide funds to the sports
2 mentoring program and to support
3 the Washington world fellows
4 program in the following manner:
5 (a) Seventy-five percent to the
6 office of the lieutenant governor
7 solely to administer the sports
8 mentoring program established
9 under RCW 43.15.100, to
10 encourage youth who have
11 economic needs or face
12 adversities to experience spectator
13 sports or get involved in youth
14 sports, and (b) up to twenty-five
15 percent to the office of the
16 lieutenant governor solely to
17 administer the Washington world
18 fellows program, an equity
19 focused program

20 Seattle Seahawks Provide funds to InvestED and to
21 support the Washington world
22 fellows program in the following
23 manner: (a) Seventy-five percent,
24 to InvestED, to encourage
25 secondary students who have
26 economic needs to stay in school,
27 return to school, or get involved
28 within their learning community;
29 and (b) twenty-five percent to the
30 office of the lieutenant governor
31 solely to administer the
32 Washington world fellows
33 program, including the provision
34 of fellowships

1 Seattle Sounders FC Provide funds to Washington state
2 mentors and the association of
3 Washington generals created in
4 RCW 43.15.030 in the following
5 manner: (a) Seventy percent and
6 the remaining proceeds, if any, to
7 Washington state mentors, to
8 increase the number of mentors in
9 the state by offering mentoring
10 grants throughout Washington
11 state that foster positive youth
12 development and academic
13 success, with up to twenty percent
14 of these proceeds authorized for
15 program administration costs; and
16 (b) up to thirty percent, not to
17 exceed forty-thousand dollars
18 annually as adjusted for inflation
19 by the office of financial
20 management, to the association of
21 Washington generals, to develop
22 Washington state educational,
23 veterans, international relations,
24 and civics projects and to
25 recognize the outstanding public
26 service of individuals or groups in
27 the state of Washington
28 Seattle University Fund scholarships for students
29 attending or planning to attend
30 Seattle University
31 Share the road Promote bicycle safety and
32 awareness education in
33 communities throughout
34 Washington

1	Ski & ride Washington	Promote winter snowsports, such
2		as skiing and snowboarding, and
3		related programs, such as ski and
4		ride safety programs,
5		underprivileged youth ski and ride
6		programs, and active, healthy
7		lifestyle programs
8	State flower	Support Meerkerk Rhododendron
9		Gardens and provide for grants to
10		other qualified nonprofit
11		organizations' efforts to preserve
12		rhododendrons
13	Volunteer firefighters	Receive and disseminate funds for
14		purposes on behalf of volunteer
15		firefighters, their families, and
16		others deemed in need
17	Washington farmers and ranchers	Provide funds to the Washington
18		FFA Foundation for educational
19		programs in Washington state
20	Washington state aviation	Provide funds to the department
21		of transportation to support
22		infrastructure improvements at
23		public use airports in Washington
24		state
25	Washington state council of	Receive and disseminate funds for
26	firefighters benevolent fund	charitable purposes on behalf of
27		members of the Washington state
28		council of firefighters, their
29		families, and others deemed in
30		need
31	Washington state wrestling	Provide funds to the Washington
32		state wrestling foundation to fund
33		new and existing college
34		wrestling programs

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Washington tennis

Provide funds to cities to assist in the construction and maintenance of a public tennis facility with at least four indoor tennis courts. A city is eligible for construction funds if the city does not already have a public or private facility with at least four indoor tennis courts. Funds for construction must first be made available to the most populous eligible city, according to the most recent census, for a time period not to exceed five years after January 1, 2017. After the five-year time period, the funds for construction must be made available to the next most populous eligible city. Funds for the maintenance of a public tennis facility with at least four indoor tennis courts must first be made available to the first eligible city that utilizes funds for construction provided by chapter 16, Laws of 2016

Washington's national park fund

Build awareness of Washington's national parks and support priority park programs and projects in Washington's national parks, such as enhancing visitor experience, promoting volunteerism, engaging communities, and providing educational opportunities related to Washington's national parks

1 We love our pets

Support and enable the

2 Washington federation of animal

3 welfare and control agencies to

4 promote and perform spay/neuter

5 surgery of Washington state pets

6 in order to reduce pet population

7 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this section, only the
8 director or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from
9 the accounts described in subsection (2) of this section. The
10 accounts are subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW,
11 but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

12 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this section, funds in the
13 special license plate accounts described in subsection (2) of this
14 section must be disbursed subject to the conditions described in
15 subsection (2) of this section and under contract between the
16 department and qualified nonprofit organizations that provide the
17 services described in subsection (2) of this section.

18 (5) Funds from the Seattle Seahawks account may be provided to
19 the lieutenant governor solely for the purpose of administering the
20 Washington world fellows program. Of the amounts received by the
21 lieutenant governor's office under this subsection, at least ninety
22 percent must be provided as fellowships under the program.

23 (6) Beginning January 1, 2019, funds from the Seattle Mariners
24 account may be provided to the office of lieutenant governor solely
25 for the purpose of administering the sports mentoring program. Of the
26 amounts received by the office of lieutenant governor, at least
27 ninety percent must be applied towards services directly provided to
28 youth participants.

29 (7) For the purposes of this section, a "qualified nonprofit
30 organization" means a not-for-profit corporation operating in
31 Washington that has received a determination of tax exempt status
32 under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3). The qualified nonprofit organization
33 must meet all the requirements under RCW 46.18.100(1).

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

36 "Patches pal license plates" means special license plates issued
37 under RCW 46.18.200 that display the likenesses of the J.P. Patches
38 and Gertrude characters from the J.P. Patches show.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act takes effect October 1, 2019.

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