
HOUSE BILL 2166

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating special license plates that support
2 working forests; amending RCW 46.18.200, 46.17.220, and 46.68.420;
3 and adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW.

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	Professional firefighters and	Recognizes professional
33	paramedics	firefighters and paramedics who
34		are members of the Washington
35		state council of firefighters.
36	Seattle Mariners	Displays the "Seattle Mariners"
37		logo.

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

1	Washington's fish collection	Recognizes Washington's fish.
2	Washington's national park fund	Builds awareness of Washington's
3		national parks and supports
4		priority park programs and
5		projects in Washington's national
6		parks, such as enhancing visitor
7		experience, promoting
8		volunteerism, engaging
9		communities, and providing
10		educational opportunities related
11		to Washington's national parks.
12	Washington's wildlife collection	Recognizes Washington's
13		wildlife.
14	We love our pets	Recognizes an organization that
15		assists local member agencies of
16		the federation of animal welfare
17		and control agencies to promote
18		and perform spay/neuter surgery
19		on Washington state pets to
20		reduce pet overpopulation.
21	Wild on Washington	Symbolizes wildlife viewing in
22		Washington state.
23	<u>Working forests</u>	<u>Displays a forest and a fish</u>
24		<u>forever logo in the foreground</u>
25		<u>with an image of a forest in the</u>
26		<u>background, and text indicating</u>
27		<u>support for working forests.</u>

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

32 (4) Applicants for initial volunteer firefighters special license
33 plates must (a) have been a volunteer firefighter for at least ten
34 years or be a volunteer firefighter for one or more years and (b)
35 have documentation of service from the district of the appropriate
36 fire service. If the volunteer firefighter leaves firefighting
37 service before ten years of service have been completed, the
38 volunteer firefighter shall surrender the license plates to the

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

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

13 In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon
 14 application for a vehicle registration in chapter 46.16A RCW, the
 15 holder of a special license plate shall pay the appropriate special
 16 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
(13) Law enforcement memorial	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
(14) Military affiliate radio system	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070

1	(15) Music matters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	(16) Professional	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
3	firefighters and			
4	paramedics			
5	(17) Purple Heart	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
6	(18) Ride share	\$ 25.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
7	(19) Seattle Mariners	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
8	(20) Seattle Seahawks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
9	(21) Seattle Sounders FC	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
10	(22) Seattle University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
11	(23) Share the road	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
12	(24) Ski & ride Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
13	(25) Square dancer	\$ 40.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
14	(26) State flower	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
15	(27) Volunteer firefighters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
16	(28) Washington farmers	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
17	and ranchers			
18	(29) Washington lighthouses	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
19	(30) Washington state	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
20	aviation			
21	(31) Washington state parks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
22	(32) Washington state	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
23	wrestling			
24	(33) Washington tennis	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
25	(34) Washington's fish	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
26	collection			
27	(35) Washington's national	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
28	parks			
29	(36) Washington's wildlife	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
30	collection			
31	(37) We love our pets	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
32	(38) Wild on Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
33	<u>(39) Working forests</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.420</u>

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

3 (1) The department shall:

4 (a) Collect special license plate fees established under RCW
5 46.17.220;

6 (b) Deduct an amount not to exceed twelve dollars for initial
7 issue and two dollars for renewal issue for administration and
8 collection expenses incurred by it; and

9 (c) Remit the remaining proceeds to the custody of the state
10 treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report.

11 (2) The state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor
12 vehicle account until the department determines that the state has
13 been reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license
14 plate. Upon determination by the department that the state has been
15 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special
16 license plate fee amounts for each special license plate to the
17 following appropriate account as created in this section in the
18 custody of the state treasurer:

19	ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR USE OF
20		FUNDS
21	4-H programs	Support Washington 4-H
22		programs
23	Fred Hutch	Support cancer research at the
24		Fred Hutchinson cancer research
25		center
26	Gonzaga University alumni	Scholarship funds to needy and
27	association	qualified students attending or
28		planning to attend Gonzaga
29		University
30	Helping kids speak	Provide free diagnostic and
31		therapeutic services to families of
32		children who suffer from a delay
33		in language or speech
34		development

1	Law enforcement memorial	Provide support and assistance to
2		survivors and families of law
3		enforcement officers in
4		Washington killed in the line of
5		duty and to organize, finance,
6		fund, construct, utilize, and
7		maintain a memorial on the state
8		capitol grounds to honor those
9		fallen officers
10	Lighthouse environmental	Support selected Washington state
11	programs	lighthouses that are accessible to
12		the public and staffed by
13		volunteers; provide environmental
14		education programs; provide
15		grants for other Washington
16		lighthouses to assist in funding
17		infrastructure preservation and
18		restoration; encourage and support
19		interpretive programs by
20		lighthouse docents
21	Music matters awareness	Promote music education in
22		schools throughout Washington

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

1 Washington tennis Provide funds to cities to assist in
2 the construction and maintenance
3 of a public tennis facility with at
4 least four indoor tennis courts. A
5 city is eligible for construction
6 funds if the city does not already
7 have a public or private facility
8 with at least four indoor tennis
9 courts. Funds for construction
10 must first be made available to the
11 most populous eligible city,
12 according to the most recent
13 census, for a time period not to
14 exceed five years after January 1,
15 2017. After the five-year time
16 period, the funds for construction
17 must be made available to the
18 next most populous eligible city.
19 Funds for the maintenance of a
20 public tennis facility with at least
21 four indoor tennis courts must
22 first be made available to the first
23 eligible city that utilizes funds for
24 construction provided by chapter
25 16, Laws of 2016

26 Washington's national park fund Build awareness of Washington's
27 national parks and support priority
28 park programs and projects in
29 Washington's national parks, such
30 as enhancing visitor experience,
31 promoting volunteerism, engaging
32 communities, and providing
33 educational opportunities related
34 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	<u>Working forests</u>	<u>Provide funds to the Washington</u>
8		<u>tree farm program to support</u>
9		<u>small forest landowners practice</u>
10		<u>sustainable forestry</u>

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

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

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

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

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

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04
2 RCW to read as follows:
3 "Working forests license plates" means special license plates
4 issued under RCW 46.18.200 that display images of a fish and a forest
5 with text supporting working forests.

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