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1 AN ACT Relating to creating Washington state women veterans
2 special license plates; reenacting and amending RCW 46.17.220,
3 46.18.200, and 46.68.420; adding a new section to chapter 46.04 RCW;
4 creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Washington is home to approximately fifty-
7 eight thousand women veterans and women comprise ten percent of the
8 nation's veteran population. Women have served through all periods of
9 United States history, whether fighting in disguise or as spies
10 during the American Revolution and Civil War; as nurses, truck
11 drivers, intelligence analysts, and airplane mechanics in World War
12 II; or as helicopter pilots in combat zones in Afghanistan and Iraq.
13 Today approximately ten thousand five hundred women are on active
14 duty in Washington state, and women are the fastest growing segment
15 of the veteran population, with one million nine hundred thousand
16 women veterans representing every branch of the military living
17 nationwide, a number that is expected to increase over the next ten
18 years. To honor the sacrifice and contributions of women veterans to
19 our country, recognize their unique life experiences, and raise
20 greater awareness of the need for services and support for women

1 veterans, the legislature hereby creates the women veterans special
2 license plate.

3 **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.17.220 and 2019 c 384 s 2 and 2019 c 177 s 2 are
4 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

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

| 9 | PLATE TYPE | INITIAL | RENEWAL | DISTRIBUTED |
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| 10 | | FEE | FEE | UNDER |
| 11 | (1) 4-H | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 12 | (2) Amateur radio license | \$ 5.00 | N/A | RCW 46.68.070 |
| 13 | (3) Armed forces | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 14 | (4) Breast cancer awareness | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 15 | (5) Collector vehicle | \$ 35.00 | N/A | RCW 46.68.030 |
| 16 | (6) Collegiate | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.430 |
| 17 | (7) Endangered wildlife | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 18 | (8) Fred Hutch | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 19 | (9) Gonzaga University | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 20 | alumni association | | | |
| 21 | (10) Helping kids speak | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 22 | (11) Horseless carriage | \$ 35.00 | N/A | RCW 46.68.030 |
| 23 | (12) Keep kids safe | \$ 45.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 24 | (13) Law enforcement | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 25 | memorial | | | |
| 26 | (14) Military affiliate radio | \$ 5.00 | N/A | RCW 46.68.070 |
| 27 | system | | | |
| 28 | (15) Music matters | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 29 | (16) Professional | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 30 | firefighters and | | | |
| 31 | paramedics | | | |
| 32 | (17) Purple Heart | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 33 | (18) Ride share | \$ 25.00 | N/A | RCW 46.68.030 |
| 34 | (19) San Juan Islands | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |

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| 1 | (20) Seattle Mariners | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 2 | (21) Seattle Seahawks | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 3 | (22) Seattle Sounders FC | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 4 | (23) Seattle Storm | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 5 | (24) Seattle University | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 6 | (25) Share the road | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 7 | (26) Ski & ride Washington | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 8 | (27) Square dancer | \$ 40.00 | N/A | RCW 46.68.070 |
| 9 | (28) State flower | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 10 | (29) Volunteer firefighters | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 11 | (30) Washington farmers | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 12 | and ranchers | | | |
| 13 | (31) Washington lighthouses | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 14 | (32) Washington state | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 15 | aviation | | | |
| 16 | (33) Washington state parks | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 17 | (34) Washington state | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 18 | wrestling | | | |
| 19 | (35) Washington tennis | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 20 | (36) Washington's fish | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 21 | collection | | | |
| 22 | (37) Washington's national | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 23 | parks | | | |
| 24 | (38) Washington's wildlife | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 25 | collection | | | |
| 26 | (39) We love our pets | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.420 |
| 27 | (40) Wild on Washington | \$ 40.00 | \$ 30.00 | RCW 46.68.425 |
| 28 | <u>(41) Women veterans</u> | <u>\$ 40.00</u> | <u>\$ 30.00</u> | <u>RCW 46.68.420</u> |

29 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.18.200 and 2019 c 384 s 1 and 2019 c 177 s 1 are
30 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

31 (1) Special license plate series reviewed and approved by the
32 department:

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

4 (b) Must be issued under terms and conditions established by the
5 department;

6 (c) Must not be issued for vehicles registered under chapter
7 46.87 RCW; and

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

9 (2) The department approves and shall issue the following special
10 license plates:

| LICENSE PLATE | DESCRIPTION, SYMBOL, OR ARTWORK |
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| 4-H | Displays the "4-H" logo. |
| Armed forces collection | Recognizes the contribution of veterans, active duty military personnel, reservists, and members of the national guard, and includes six separate designs, each containing a symbol representing a different branch of the armed forces to include army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, and national guard. |
| Breast cancer awareness | Displays a pink ribbon symbolizing breast cancer awareness. |
| Endangered wildlife | Displays a symbol or artwork symbolizing endangered wildlife in Washington state. |
| Fred Hutch | Displays the Fred Hutch logo. |
| Gonzaga University alumni association | Recognizes the Gonzaga University alumni association. |
| Helping kids speak | Recognizes an organization that supports programs that provide no-cost speech pathology programs to children. |

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| 1 | Keep kids safe | Recognizes efforts to prevent |
| 2 | | child abuse and neglect. |
| 3 | Law enforcement memorial | Honors law enforcement officers |
| 4 | | in Washington killed in the line of |
| 5 | | duty. |
| 6 | Music matters | Displays the "Music Matters" |
| 7 | | logo. |
| 8 | Professional firefighters and | Recognizes professional |
| 9 | paramedics | firefighters and paramedics who |
| 10 | | are members of the Washington |
| 11 | | state council of firefighters. |
| 12 | San Juan Islands | Displays a symbol or artwork |
| 13 | | recognizing the San Juan Islands. |
| 14 | Seattle Mariners | Displays the "Seattle Mariners" |
| 15 | | logo. |
| 16 | Seattle Seahawks | Displays the "Seattle Seahawks" |
| 17 | | logo. |
| 18 | Seattle Sounders FC | Displays the "Seattle Sounders |
| 19 | | FC" logo. |
| 20 | Seattle Storm | Displays the "Seattle Storm" logo. |
| 21 | Seattle University | Recognizes Seattle University. |
| 22 | Share the road | Recognizes an organization that |
| 23 | | promotes bicycle safety and |
| 24 | | awareness education. |
| 25 | Ski & ride Washington | Recognizes the Washington |
| 26 | | snowsports industry. |
| 27 | State flower | Recognizes the Washington state |
| 28 | | flower. |
| 29 | Volunteer firefighters | Recognizes volunteer firefighters. |
| 30 | Washington farmers and ranchers | Recognizes farmers and ranchers |
| 31 | | in Washington state. |
| 32 | Washington lighthouses | Recognizes an organization that |
| 33 | | supports selected Washington |
| 34 | | state lighthouses and provides |
| 35 | | environmental education |
| 36 | | programs. |

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| 1 | Washington state aviation | Displays a Stearman biplane in |
| 2 | | the foreground with an image of |
| 3 | | Mount Rainier in the background. |
| 4 | Washington state parks | Recognizes Washington state |
| 5 | | parks as premier destinations of |
| 6 | | uncommon quality that preserve |
| 7 | | significant natural, cultural, |
| 8 | | historical, and recreational |
| 9 | | resources. |
| 10 | Washington state wrestling | Promotes and supports college |
| 11 | | wrestling in the state of |
| 12 | | Washington. |
| 13 | Washington tennis | Builds awareness and year-round |
| 14 | | opportunities for tennis in |
| 15 | | Washington state. Displays a |
| 16 | | symbol or artwork recognizing |
| 17 | | tennis in Washington state. |
| 18 | Washington's fish collection | Recognizes Washington's fish. |
| 19 | Washington's national park fund | Builds awareness of Washington's |
| 20 | | national parks and supports |
| 21 | | priority park programs and |
| 22 | | projects in Washington's national |
| 23 | | parks, such as enhancing visitor |
| 24 | | experience, promoting |
| 25 | | volunteerism, engaging |
| 26 | | communities, and providing |
| 27 | | educational opportunities related |
| 28 | | to Washington's national parks. |
| 29 | Washington's wildlife collection | Recognizes Washington's |
| 30 | | wildlife. |
| 31 | We love our pets | Recognizes an organization that |
| 32 | | assists local member agencies of |
| 33 | | the federation of animal welfare |
| 34 | | and control agencies to promote |
| 35 | | and perform spay/neuter surgery |
| 36 | | on Washington state pets to |
| 37 | | reduce pet overpopulation. |

1 Wild on Washington Symbolizes wildlife viewing in
2 Washington state.
3 Women veterans Recognizes women veterans.

4 (3) Applicants for initial and renewal professional firefighters
5 and paramedics special license plates must show proof of eligibility
6 by providing a certificate of current membership from the Washington
7 state council of firefighters.

8 (4) Applicants for initial volunteer firefighters special license
9 plates must (a) have been a volunteer firefighter for at least ten
10 years or be a volunteer firefighter for one or more years and (b)
11 have documentation of service from the district of the appropriate
12 fire service. If the volunteer firefighter leaves firefighting
13 service before ten years of service have been completed, the
14 volunteer firefighter shall surrender the license plates to the
15 department on the registration renewal date. If the volunteer
16 firefighter stays in service for at least ten years and then leaves,
17 the license plate may be retained by the former volunteer firefighter
18 and as long as the license plate is retained for use the person will
19 continue to pay the future registration renewals. A qualifying
20 volunteer firefighter may have no more than one set of license plates
21 per vehicle, and a maximum of two sets per applicant, for their
22 personal vehicles. If the volunteer firefighter is convicted of a
23 violation of RCW 46.61.502 or a felony, the license plates must be
24 surrendered upon conviction.

25 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.68.420 and 2019 c 384 s 3 and 2019 c 177 s 3 are
26 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

27 (1) The department shall:

28 (a) Collect special license plate fees established under RCW
29 46.17.220;

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

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

35 (2) The state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor
36 vehicle ((~~account—[fund]~~)) fund until the department determines that
37 the state has been reimbursed for the cost of implementing the
38 special license plate. Upon determination by the department that the

1 state has been reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the
2 remaining special license plate fee amounts for each special license
3 plate to the following appropriate account as created in this section
4 in the custody of the state treasurer:

| 5 | ACCOUNT | CONDITIONS FOR USE OF |
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| 6 | | FUNDS |
| 7 | 4-H programs | Support Washington 4-H |
| 8 | | programs |
| 9 | Fred Hutch | Support cancer research at the |
| 10 | | Fred Hutchinson cancer research |
| 11 | | center |
| 12 | Gonzaga University alumni | Scholarship funds to needy and |
| 13 | association | qualified students attending or |
| 14 | | planning to attend Gonzaga |
| 15 | | University |
| 16 | Helping kids speak | Provide free diagnostic and |
| 17 | | therapeutic services to families of |
| 18 | | children who suffer from a delay |
| 19 | | in language or speech |
| 20 | | development |
| 21 | Law enforcement memorial | Provide support and assistance to |
| 22 | | survivors and families of law |
| 23 | | enforcement officers in |
| 24 | | Washington killed in the line of |
| 25 | | duty and to organize, finance, |
| 26 | | fund, construct, utilize, and |
| 27 | | maintain a memorial on the state |
| 28 | | capitol grounds to honor those |
| 29 | | fallen officers |

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| 1 | Lighthouse environmental | Support selected Washington state |
| 2 | programs | lighthouses that are accessible to |
| 3 | | the public and staffed by |
| 4 | | volunteers; provide environmental |
| 5 | | education programs; provide |
| 6 | | grants for other Washington |
| 7 | | lighthouses to assist in funding |
| 8 | | infrastructure preservation and |
| 9 | | restoration; encourage and support |
| 10 | | interpretive programs by |
| 11 | | lighthouse docents |
| 12 | Music matters awareness | Promote music education in |
| 13 | | schools throughout Washington |
| 14 | San Juan Islands programs | Provide funds to the Madrona |
| 15 | | institute |
| 16 | Seattle Mariners | Provide funds to the sports |
| 17 | | mentoring program and to support |
| 18 | | the Washington world fellows |
| 19 | | program in the following manner: |
| 20 | | (a) Seventy-five percent to the |
| 21 | | office of the lieutenant governor |
| 22 | | solely to administer the sports |
| 23 | | mentoring program established |
| 24 | | under RCW 43.15.100, to |
| 25 | | encourage youth who have |
| 26 | | economic needs or face |
| 27 | | adversities to experience spectator |
| 28 | | sports or get involved in youth |
| 29 | | sports, and (b) up to twenty-five |
| 30 | | percent to the office of the |
| 31 | | lieutenant governor solely to |
| 32 | | administer the Washington world |
| 33 | | fellows program, an equity |
| 34 | | focused program |

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Seattle Seahawks

Provide funds to InvestED and to support the Washington world fellows program in the following manner: (a) Seventy-five percent, to InvestED, to encourage secondary students who have economic needs to stay in school, return to school, or get involved within their learning community; and (b) twenty-five percent to the office of the lieutenant governor solely to administer the Washington world fellows program, including the provision of fellowships

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Seattle Sounders FC

Provide funds to Washington state mentors and the association of Washington generals created in RCW 43.15.030 in the following manner: (a) Seventy percent and the remaining proceeds, if any, to Washington state mentors, to increase the number of mentors in the state by offering mentoring grants throughout Washington state that foster positive youth development and academic success, with up to twenty percent of these proceeds authorized for program administration costs; and (b) up to thirty percent, not to exceed forty-thousand dollars annually as adjusted for inflation by the office of financial management, to the association of Washington generals, to develop Washington state educational, veterans, international relations, and civics projects and to recognize the outstanding public service of individuals or groups in the state of Washington

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| 1 | Seattle Storm | Provide funds to the Washington |
| 2 | | state legislative youth advisory |
| 3 | | council and the association of |
| 4 | | Washington generals created in |
| 5 | | RCW 43.15.030 in the following |
| 6 | | manner: Twenty-five thousand |
| 7 | | dollars per year of the net |
| 8 | | proceeds to the legislative youth |
| 9 | | advisory council, or its successor |
| 10 | | organization; and the remaining |
| 11 | | net proceeds on an annual basis, |
| 12 | | to the association of Washington |
| 13 | | generals for the purpose of |
| 14 | | providing grants to support and |
| 15 | | enhance athletic, recreational, and |
| 16 | | other opportunities for women |
| 17 | | and girls, and especially those |
| 18 | | with disabilities |
| 19 | Seattle University | Fund scholarships for students |
| 20 | | attending or planning to attend |
| 21 | | Seattle University |
| 22 | Share the road | Promote bicycle safety and |
| 23 | | awareness education in |
| 24 | | communities throughout |
| 25 | | Washington |
| 26 | Ski & ride Washington | Promote winter snowsports, such |
| 27 | | as skiing and snowboarding, and |
| 28 | | related programs, such as ski and |
| 29 | | ride safety programs, |
| 30 | | underprivileged youth ski and ride |
| 31 | | programs, and active, healthy |
| 32 | | lifestyle programs |
| 33 | State flower | Support Meerkerk Rhododendron |
| 34 | | Gardens and provide for grants to |
| 35 | | other qualified nonprofit |
| 36 | | organizations' efforts to preserve |
| 37 | | rhododendrons |

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| 1 | Volunteer firefighters | Receive and disseminate funds for |
| 2 | | purposes on behalf of volunteer |
| 3 | | firefighters, their families, and |
| 4 | | others deemed in need |
| 5 | Washington farmers and ranchers | Provide funds to the Washington |
| 6 | | FFA Foundation for educational |
| 7 | | programs in Washington state |
| 8 | Washington state aviation | Provide funds to the department |
| 9 | | of transportation to support |
| 10 | | infrastructure improvements at |
| 11 | | public use airports in Washington |
| 12 | | state |
| 13 | Washington state council of | Receive and disseminate funds for |
| 14 | firefighters benevolent fund | charitable purposes on behalf of |
| 15 | | members of the Washington state |
| 16 | | council of firefighters, their |
| 17 | | families, and others deemed in |
| 18 | | need |
| 19 | Washington state wrestling | Provide funds to the Washington |
| 20 | | state wrestling foundation to fund |
| 21 | | new and existing college |
| 22 | | 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 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04
2 RCW to read as follows:

3 "Women veterans special license plates" means special license
4 plates issued under RCW 46.18.200 that display a symbol or artwork
5 recognizing the efforts of women veterans in Washington state.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** This act takes effect July 1, 2020.

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