

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2489**

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**By** House Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Orcutt, Donaghy, and Schmidt)

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating several new special license plates;  
2 reenacting and amending RCW 46.17.220, 46.18.200, 46.68.420, and  
3 46.68.425; adding new sections to chapter 46.04 RCW; adding a new  
4 section to chapter 46.18 RCW; and providing an effective date.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.17.220 and 2022 c 239 s 1 and 2022 c 117 s 1 are  
7 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

8 In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
9 application for a vehicle registration in chapter 46.16A RCW, the  
10 holder of a special license plate shall pay the appropriate special  
11 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

1	(7) Endangered wildlife	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
2	(8) Fred Hutch	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
3	(9) Gonzaga University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
4	alumni association			
5	(10) Helping kids speak	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
6	(11) Horseless carriage	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
7	(12) Keep kids safe	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
8	(13) <u>Keep Washington</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.425</u>
9	<u>evergreen</u>			
10	(14) Law enforcement	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
11	memorial			
12	<del>((14))</del> (15) <u>LeMay-</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.420</u>
13	<u>America's Car</u>			
14	<u>Museum</u>			
15	(16) Military affiliate radio	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
16	system			
17	<del>((15))</del> (17) <u>Mount St.</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.420</u>
18	<u>Helens</u>			
19	(18) Music matters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
20	<del>((16))</del> (19) <u>Nautical</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.420</u>
21	<u>Northwest</u>			
22	(20) Patches pal, or	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
23	alternative name as			
24	designated by the			
25	department under			
26	RCW 46.04.383			
27	<del>((17))</del> (21) Professional	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
28	firefighters and			
29	paramedics			
30	<del>((18))</del> (22) Purple Heart	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
31	<del>((19))</del> (23) Ride share	\$ 25.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
32	<del>((20))</del> (24) San Juan	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
33	Islands			
34	<del>((21))</del> (25) Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
35	Mariners			

1	<del>((22))</del> <u>(26)</u> Seattle NHL	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	hockey			
3	<del>((23))</del> <u>(27)</u> Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
4	Seahawks			
5	<del>((24))</del> <u>(28)</u> Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
6	Sounders FC			
7	<del>((25))</del> <u>(29)</u> Seattle Storm	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
8	<del>((26))</del> <u>(30)</u> Seattle	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
9	University			
10	<del>((27))</del> <u>(31)</u> Share the road	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
11	<del>((28))</del> <u>(32)</u> Ski & ride	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
12	Washington			
13	<del>((29))</del> <u>(33)</u> Smokey Bear	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.425</u>
14	<u>(34)</u> Square dancer	\$ 40.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
15	<del>((30))</del> <u>(35)</u> State flower	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
16	<del>((31))</del> <u>(36)</u> Volunteer	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
17	firefighters			
18	<del>((32))</del> <u>(37)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
19	apples			
20	<del>((33))</del> <u>(38)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
21	farmers and ranchers			
22	<del>((34))</del> <u>(39)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
23	lighthouses			
24	<del>((35))</del> <u>(40)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
25	state aviation			
26	<del>((36))</del> <u>(41)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
27	state parks			
28	<del>((37))</del> <u>(42)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
29	state wrestling			
30	<del>((38))</del> <u>(43)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
31	tennis			
32	<del>((39))</del> <u>(44)</u> Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
33	wine			
34	<del>((40))</del> <u>(45)</u> Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
35	fish collection			

1	<del>((41))</del> (46) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	national parks			
3	<del>((42))</del> (47) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
4	wildlife collection			
5	<del>((43))</del> (48) We love our	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
6	pets			
7	<del>((44))</del> (49) Wild on	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
8	Washington			
9	(50) Working forests	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.420</u>

10       **Sec. 2.** RCW 46.18.200 and 2022 c 239 s 2 and 2022 c 117 s 2 are  
11 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

12       (1) Special license plate series reviewed and approved by the  
13 department:

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

17       (b) Must be issued under terms and conditions established by the  
18 department;

19       (c) Must not be issued for vehicles registered under chapter  
20 46.87 RCW; and

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

22       (2) The department approves and shall issue the following special  
23 license plates, subject to subsection (5) of this section:

24	LICENSE PLATE	DESCRIPTION, SYMBOL, OR
25		ARTWORK
26	4-H	Displays the "4-H" logo.
27	Armed forces collection	Recognizes the contribution of
28		veterans, active duty military
29		personnel, reservists, and
30		members of the national guard,
31		and includes six separate designs,
32		each containing a symbol
33		representing a different branch of
34		the armed forces to include army,
35		navy, air force, marine corps,
36		coast guard, and national guard.

1	Breast cancer awareness	Displays a pink ribbon
2		symbolizing breast cancer
3		awareness.
4	Endangered wildlife	Displays a symbol or artwork
5		symbolizing endangered wildlife
6		in Washington state.
7	Fred Hutch	Displays the Fred Hutch logo.
8	Gonzaga University alumni	Recognizes the Gonzaga
9	association	University alumni association.
10	Helping kids speak	Recognizes an organization that
11		supports programs that provide
12		no-cost speech pathology
13		programs to children.
14	Keep kids safe	Recognizes efforts to prevent
15		child abuse and neglect.
16	<u>Keep Washington evergreen</u>	<u>Recognizes Washington as the</u>
17		<u>evergreen state and funds electric</u>
18		<u>charging stations. Displays green</u>
19		<u>lettering on a white background in</u>
20		<u>a style similar to the license plates</u>
21		<u>issued by the department in the</u>
22		<u>1970s, but includes the words</u>
23		<u>evergreen state along the bottom</u>
24		<u>of the plate.</u>
25	Law enforcement memorial	Honors law enforcement officers
26		in Washington killed in the line of
27		duty.
28	<u>LeMay-America's Car Museum</u>	<u>Displays a style homage to classic</u>
29		<u>Washington automobile plates.</u>
30	<u>Mount St. Helens</u>	<u>Displays an image of Mount St.</u>
31		<u>Helens.</u>
32	Music matters	Displays the "Music Matters"
33		logo.
34	<u>Nautical Northwest</u>	<u>Displays a Northwest maritime</u>
35		<u>scene.</u>

1	Patches pal, or alternative name	Displays the likenesses of the J.P.
2	as designated by the department	Patches and Gertrude characters
3	under RCW 46.04.383	from the J.P. Patches show, or
4		characters otherwise identified in
5		accordance with RCW 46.04.383.
6	Professional firefighters and	Recognizes professional
7	paramedics	firefighters and paramedics who
8		are members of the Washington
9		state council of firefighters.
10	San Juan Islands	Displays a symbol or artwork
11		recognizing the San Juan Islands.
12	Seattle Mariners	Displays the "Seattle Mariners"
13		logo.
14	Seattle NHL hockey	Displays the logo of the Seattle
15		NHL hockey team.
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	<u>Smokey Bear</u>	<u>Displays the name, image, and</u>
28		<u>likeness of Smokey Bear and</u>
29		<u>messages for wildfire prevention.</u>
30	State flower	Recognizes the Washington state
31		flower.
32	Volunteer firefighters	Recognizes volunteer firefighters.

1	Washington apples	Displays the Washington apple
2		logo that recognizes the state's
3		apple industry, the growers and
4		shippers who produce and pack
5		the world famous apples, and the
6		tree fruit community.
7	Washington farmers and ranchers	Recognizes farmers and ranchers
8		in Washington state.
9	Washington lighthouses	Recognizes an organization that
10		supports selected Washington
11		state lighthouses and provides
12		environmental education
13		programs.
14	Washington state aviation	Displays a Stearman biplane in
15		the foreground with an image of
16		Mount Rainier in the background.
17	Washington state parks	Recognizes Washington state
18		parks as premier destinations of
19		uncommon quality that preserve
20		significant natural, cultural,
21		historical, and recreational
22		resources.
23	Washington state wrestling	Promotes and supports college
24		wrestling in the state of
25		Washington.
26	Washington tennis	Builds awareness and year-round
27		opportunities for tennis in
28		Washington state. Displays a
29		symbol or artwork recognizing
30		tennis in Washington state.
31	Washington wine	Displays a landscape of
32		Washington's wine regions.
33	Washington's fish collection	Recognizes Washington's fish.

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

24 (3) Applicants for initial and renewal professional firefighters  
25 and paramedics special license plates must show proof of eligibility  
26 by providing a certificate of current membership from the Washington  
27 state council of firefighters.

28 (4) Applicants for initial volunteer firefighters special license  
29 plates must (a) have been a volunteer firefighter for at least  
30 ~~((ten))~~ 10 years or be a volunteer firefighter for one or more years  
31 and (b) have documentation of service from the district of the  
32 appropriate fire service. If the volunteer firefighter leaves  
33 firefighting service before ~~((ten))~~ 10 years of service have been  
34 completed, the volunteer firefighter shall surrender the license  
35 plates to the department on the registration renewal date. If the  
36 volunteer firefighter stays in service for at least ~~((ten))~~ 10 years  
37 and then leaves, the license plate may be retained by the former  
38 volunteer firefighter and as long as the license plate is retained



1 for use the person will continue to pay the future registration  
2 renewals. A qualifying volunteer firefighter may have no more than  
3 one set of license plates per vehicle, and a maximum of two sets per  
4 applicant, for their personal vehicles. If the volunteer firefighter  
5 is convicted of a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or a felony, the license  
6 plates must be surrendered upon conviction.

7 (5) The department shall not issue the Seattle NHL hockey special  
8 license plate until the department receives signature sheets  
9 satisfying the requirements identified in RCW 46.18.110(2)(f).

10 **Sec. 3.** RCW 46.68.420 and 2022 c 239 s 3, 2022 c 117 s 3, and  
11 2022 c 96 s 4 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

12 (1) The department shall:

13 (a) Collect special license plate fees established under RCW  
14 46.17.220;

15 (b) Deduct an amount not to exceed (~~twelve dollars~~) \$12 for  
16 initial issue and two dollars for renewal issue for administration  
17 and collection expenses incurred by it; and

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

20 (2) The state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor  
21 vehicle fund until the department determines that the state has been  
22 reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license plate.  
23 Upon determination by the department that the state has been  
24 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special  
25 license plate fee amounts for each special license plate to the  
26 following appropriate account as created in this section in the  
27 custody of the state treasurer:

ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR USE OF FUNDS
4-H programs	Support Washington 4-H programs
Fred Hutch	Support cancer research at the Fred Hutchinson cancer research center
Gonzaga University alumni association	Scholarship funds to needy and qualified students attending or planning to attend Gonzaga University

1	Helping kids speak	Provide free diagnostic and
2		therapeutic services to families of
3		children who suffer from a delay
4		in language or speech
5		development
6	Law enforcement memorial	Provide support and assistance to
7		survivors and families of law
8		enforcement officers in
9		Washington killed in the line of
10		duty and to organize, finance,
11		fund, construct, utilize, and
12		maintain a memorial on the state
13		capitol grounds to honor those
14		fallen officers
15	<u>LeMay-America's Car Museum</u>	<u>Provide funds to promote,</u>
16		<u>encourage, and inspire students</u>
17		<u>and the community to understand</u>
18		<u>the role of automobiles in our</u>
19		<u>culture and economy through</u>
20		<u>education, interpretive programs,</u>
21		<u>and job training; to open doors to</u>
22		<u>learning through science,</u>
23		<u>technology, engineering, the arts,</u>
24		<u>and math (STEAM); and to</u>
25		<u>inspire a new generation of skilled</u>
26		<u>trade workers, engineers,</u>
27		<u>designers, artists, and enthusiasts</u>
28	Lighthouse environmental	Support selected Washington state
29	programs	lighthouses that are accessible to
30		the public and staffed by
31		volunteers; provide environmental
32		education programs; provide
33		grants for other Washington
34		lighthouses to assist in funding
35		infrastructure preservation and
36		restoration; encourage and support
37		interpretive programs by
38		lighthouse docents

1	<u>Mount St. Helens</u>	<u>Promote education, stewardship,</u>
2		<u>and science at Mount St. Helens</u>
3		<u>through the Mount St. Helens</u>
4		<u>institute</u>
5	Music matters awareness	Promote music education in
6		schools throughout Washington
7	<u>Nautical Northwest</u>	<u>Support historic resources of</u>
8		<u>Whidbey Island's maritime</u>
9		<u>communities</u>
10	Patches pal, or alternative name	Provide funds to the Seattle
11	as designated by the department	children's hospital strong against
12	under RCW 46.04.383	cancer program
13	San Juan Islands programs	Provide funds to the Madrona
14		institute
15	Seattle Mariners	Provide funds to the sports
16		mentoring program and to support
17		the Washington world fellows
18		program in the following manner:
19		(a) ( <del>Seventy-five</del> ) <u>75</u> percent to
20		the Washington state leadership
21		board solely to administer the
22		sports mentoring program
23		established under RCW
24		43.388.040, to encourage youth
25		who have economic needs or face
26		adversities to experience spectator
27		sports or get involved in youth
28		sports, and (b) up to ( <del>twenty-</del>
29		<del>five</del> ) <u>25</u> percent to the
30		Washington state leadership board
31		solely to administer the
32		Washington world fellows
33		program, an equity focused
34		program

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Seattle NHL hockey

Provide funds to the NHL Seattle foundation and to support the boundless Washington program in the following manner: (a) ~~((Fifty))~~ 50 percent to the NHL Seattle foundation, or its successor organization, to help marginalized youth succeed in life through increased access to sports and other opportunities; (b) ~~((twenty-five))~~ 25 percent to the Washington state leadership board solely to administer the boundless Washington program to facilitate opportunities for young people with physical and sensory disabilities to enjoy and experience the outdoors; and (c) ~~((twenty-five))~~ 25 percent to the NHL Seattle foundation, or its successor organization, for providing financial support to allow youth to participate in hockey

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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))~~ 75 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))~~ 25 percent to the Washington state leadership board 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 Washington state leadership board in the following manner: (a) ~~((Seventy))~~ 70 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))~~ 20 percent of these proceeds authorized for program administration costs; and (b) up to ~~((thirty))~~ 30 percent, not to exceed ~~((forty thousand dollars))~~ \$40,000 annually as adjusted for inflation by the office of financial management, to the Washington state leadership board, 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

1	Seattle Storm	Provide funds to the Washington
2		state legislative youth advisory
3		council and the Washington state
4		leadership board in the following
5		manner: ( <del>Twenty-five thousand</del>
6		<del>dollars</del> )) <u>\$25,000</u> per year of the
7		net proceeds to the legislative
8		youth advisory council, or its
9		successor organization; and the
10		remaining net proceeds on an
11		annual basis, to the Washington
12		state leadership board for the
13		purpose of providing grants to
14		support and enhance athletic,
15		recreational, and other
16		opportunities for women and girls,
17		and especially those with
18		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

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 apples	Provide scholarship funding to the
6		tree fruit industry's official
7		charity, the Washington apple
8		education foundation, which
9		provides financial support,
10		professional employment
11		preparedness training, and
12		mentorship to students with ties to
13		the apple industry pursuing a
14		higher education
15	Washington farmers and ranchers	Provide funds to the Washington
16		FFA Foundation for educational
17		programs in Washington state
18	Washington state aviation	Provide funds to the department
19		of transportation to support
20		infrastructure improvements at
21		public use airports in Washington
22		state
23	Washington state council of	Receive and disseminate funds for
24	firefighters benevolent fund	charitable purposes on behalf of
25		members of the Washington state
26		council of firefighters, their
27		families, and others deemed in
28		need
29	Washington state wrestling	Provide funds to the Washington
30		state wrestling foundation to fund
31		new and existing college
32		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 wine Provide funds to the state of  
27 Washington tourism to promote  
28 tourism throughout Washington  
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30 Washington's national park fund Build awareness of Washington's  
31 national parks and support priority  
32 park programs and projects in  
33 Washington's national parks, such  
34 as enhancing visitor experience,  
35 promoting volunteerism, engaging  
36 communities, and providing  
37 educational opportunities related  
38 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 to</u>
10		<u>sustainably manage over 400,000</u>
11		<u>acres of private forestland</u>

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

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

23 (5) Funds from the Seattle Seahawks account may be provided to  
24 the Washington state leadership board solely for the purpose of  
25 administering the Washington world fellows program. Of the amounts  
26 received by the Washington state leadership board under this  
27 subsection, at least (~~ninety~~) 90 percent must be provided as  
28 fellowships under the program.

29 (6) Beginning January 1, 2019, funds from the Seattle Mariners  
30 account may be provided to the Washington state leadership board  
31 solely for the purpose of administering the sports mentoring program.  
32 Of the amounts received by the Washington state leadership board, at  
33 least (~~ninety~~) 90 percent must be applied towards services directly  
34 provided to youth participants.

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

1       **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.68.425 and 2016 c 31 s 3 and 2016 c 30 s 4 are  
2 each reenacted and amended to read 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~~) \$12 for  
7 initial issue and (~~two dollars~~) \$2 for renewal issue for  
8 administration and 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 fund until the department determines that the state has been  
13 reimbursed for the cost of implementing the special license plate.  
14 Upon determination by the department that the state has been  
15 reimbursed, the state treasurer shall credit the remaining special  
16 license plate fees to the following accounts by special license plate  
17 type:

SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TYPE	ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR USE OF FUNDS
Armed forces	RCW 43.60A.140	As specified in RCW 43.60A.140(4)
Breast cancer awareness	RCW 43.70.327	Must be used only by the department of health for efforts consistent with the breast, cervical, and colon health program
Endangered wildlife	RCW 77.12.170	Must be used only for the department of fish and wildlife's endangered wildlife program activities
Keep kids safe	RCW 43.121.100	As specified in RCW 43.121.100

1	<u>Keep Washington</u>	<u>RCW 82.44.200</u>	<u>Support of electric</u>
2	<u>evergreen</u>		<u>charging stations</u>
3			<u>throughout</u>
4			<u>Washington</u>
5	Purple Heart	RCW 43.60A.140	As specified in RCW
6			43.60A.140(4)
7	<u>Smokey Bear</u>	<u>RCW 76.04.511</u>	<u>Only for the</u>
8	<u>wildfire prevention</u>		<u>department of natural</u>
9			<u>resources to use for</u>
10			<u>wildfire prevention</u>
11			<u>programs</u>
12	Washington state	RCW 79A.05.059	Provide public
13	parks		educational
14			opportunities and
15			enhancement of
16			Washington state
17			parks
18	Washington's fish	RCW 77.12.170	Only for the
19	collection		department of fish
20			and wildlife's use to
21			support steelhead
22			species management
23			activities including,
24			but not limited to,
25			activities supporting
26			conservation,
27			recovery, and
28			research to promote
29			healthy, fishable
30			steelhead
31	Washington's	RCW 77.12.170	Only for the
32	wildlife collection		department of fish
33			and wildlife's game
34			species management
35			activities

Dedicated to the  
department of fish  
and wildlife's  
watchable wildlife  
activities, as defined  
in RCW 77.32.560

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04 RCW to read as follows:

"Keep Washington evergreen license plate" means special license plates issued under RCW 46.18.200 that display green lettering on a white background in a style similar to the license plates issued by the department in the 1970s.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 46.18 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The department shall create, design, and issue a keep Washington evergreen license plate that may be used in lieu of standard issue or personalized license plates for motor vehicles required to display one or two license plates, excluding vehicles registered under chapter 46.87 RCW, upon terms and conditions established by the department.

(2) A registered owner may apply to the department, county auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by the director for a keep Washington evergreen license plate. The registered owner shall pay the special license plate fee required under RCW 46.17.220(13), in addition to any other fee or tax required by law.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04 RCW to read as follows:

"LeMay-America's Car Museum license plates" means special license plates issued under RCW 46.18.200 that display a style homage to classic Washington automobile plates.

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** A new section is added to chapter 46.04 RCW to read as follows:

"Mount St. Helens license plate" means special license plates issued under RCW 46.18.200 that display an image of Mount St. Helens.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 9.**    A new section is added to chapter 46.04  
2 RCW to read as follows:

3        "Nautical Northwest license plates" means special license plates  
4 issued under RCW 46.18.200 that display a Northwest maritime scene.

5        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 10.**    A new section is added to chapter 46.04  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7        "Smokey Bear license plates" means special license plates issued  
8 under RCW 46.18.200 that display the name, image, and likeness of  
9 Smokey Bear promoting wildfire prevention and the state department of  
10 natural resources' wildland wildfire program.

11       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 11.**    A new section is added to chapter 46.04  
12 RCW to read as follows:

13       "Working forests license plates" means special license plates  
14 issued under RCW 46.18.200 that display images embodying working  
15 forests.

16       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 12.**    This act takes effect November 1, 2025.

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