

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1207

BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO IDAHO WILDLIFE SPECIAL PLATES; AMENDING SECTION 49-417, IDAHO  
2 CODE, TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE ELK WILDLIFE SPECIAL PLATE TO THE MAMMAL  
3 WILDLIFE SPECIAL PLATE AND TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE CUTTHROAT WILDLIFE  
4 SPECIAL PLATE TO THE FISH WILDLIFE SPECIAL PLATE.  
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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Section 49-417, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 49-417. IDAHO WILDLIFE SPECIAL PLATES. (1) Any person who is the owner  
10 of a vehicle registered under the provisions of section 49-402 or 49-434(1),  
11 Idaho Code, may apply for any one (1) of three (3) Idaho wildlife special li-  
12 cense plates. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any vehi-  
13 cle with a registered maximum gross weight over twenty-six thousand (26,000)  
14 pounds.

15 (2) In addition to the regular operating fee, the applicant shall be  
16 charged a fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for the initial issuance of the  
17 plates, and twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) upon each succeeding annual regis-  
18 tration. Ten dollars (\$10.00) of the initial fee and ten dollars (\$10.00)  
19 of the renewal fee shall be deposited in the state highway account and shall  
20 be used to fund the cost of administration of this special license plate pro-  
21 gram. Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) of each initial fee and fifteen dollars  
22 (\$15.00) of each renewal fee shall be deposited by the state treasurer in the  
23 fish and game set-aside account pursuant to section 36-111, Idaho Code, for  
24 use in the nongame wildlife program. This fee shall be treated as a contri-  
25 bution to the nongame wildlife program, and shall not be considered a motor  
26 vehicle registration fee as described in section 17, article VII, of the con-  
27 stitution of the state of Idaho.

28 (a) The fish and game commission shall designate one dollar and twenty-  
29 five cents (\$1.25) of each initial fee and seventy-five cents (75¢) of  
30 each renewal fee from the ~~elk~~ mammal wildlife special plate to the de-  
31 partment of fish and game's wildlife disease laboratory program to be  
32 used for testing, surveillance and detection of diseases that may af-  
33 fect wildlife including, but not limited to, chronic wasting disease.

34 (b) The state controller shall annually, by August 1 of each year,  
35 transfer an amount equivalent to one dollar and twenty-five cents  
36 (\$1.25) of each initial ~~elk~~ mammal wildlife special plate and sev-  
37 enty-five cents (75¢) of each renewal ~~elk~~ mammal wildlife special plate  
38 sold in the prior fiscal year from the fish and game set-aside account  
39 to the department of agriculture's livestock disease control fund to be  
40 used for testing, surveillance and detection of wildlife diseases and  
41 domestic livestock diseases that may affect wildlife including, but not  
42 limited to, brucellosis and chronic wasting disease.

1 (c) The state controller shall annually, by August 1 of each year,  
2 transfer an amount equivalent to two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50)  
3 of each initial ~~cutthroat~~ fish wildlife special plate and one dollar  
4 and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) of each renewal ~~cutthroat~~ fish wildlife  
5 special plate sold in the prior fiscal year from the fish and game  
6 set-aside account to the department of parks and recreation fund es-  
7 tablished in section 67-4225, Idaho Code, for the construction and  
8 maintenance of nonmotorized boating access facilities for anglers.

9 Whenever title or interest in a vehicle registered under the provisions  
10 of this section is transferred or assigned, the owner may transfer the spe-  
11 cial plates to another vehicle upon payment of the required transfer fees.  
12 He may only display the plates after receipt of new registration from the de-  
13 partment.

14 (3) Each Idaho wildlife license plate shall be of a color and design ac-  
15 ceptable to the board of directors of the Idaho fish and wildlife foundation  
16 and approved by the department, utilizing a numbering system as determined  
17 by the department. The Idaho fish and wildlife foundation is authorized to  
18 design more than one (1) wildlife plate, but the department may not allow  
19 more than three (3) different designs to be in use at any one (1) time. Ini-  
20 tial costs of the plate program including costs of plate design shall be paid  
21 by the Idaho fish and wildlife foundation.

22 (4) Sample Idaho wildlife plates may be purchased for a fee of thirty  
23 dollars (\$30.00), ten dollars (\$10.00) of which shall be deposited in the  
24 state highway account to be used to fund the cost of administration of this  
25 special license plate program. Twenty dollars (\$20.00) of the purchase fee  
26 shall be deposited in the fish and game set-aside account pursuant to section  
27 36-111, Idaho Code, for use in the nongame wildlife program.