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**SENATE BILL 6225**

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**By** Senators Wagoner and Dhingra

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

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

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

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

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

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

15 (c) Must not be issued for vehicles registered under chapter  
16 46.87 RCW; and

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

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

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37	LICENSE PLATE	DESCRIPTION, SYMBOL, OR ARTWORK
	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.
	Keep kids safe	Recognizes efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect.
	Law enforcement memorial	Honors law enforcement officers in Washington killed in the line of duty.
	Music matters	Displays the "Music Matters" logo.
	Professional firefighters and paramedics	Recognizes professional firefighters and paramedics who are members of the Washington state council of firefighters.

1	San Juan Islands	Displays a symbol or artwork
2		recognizing the San Juan Islands.
3	Seattle Mariners	Displays the "Seattle Mariners"
4		logo.
5	Seattle Seahawks	Displays the "Seattle Seahawks"
6		logo.
7	Seattle Sounders FC	Displays the "Seattle Sounders
8		FC" logo.
9	Seattle Storm	Displays the "Seattle Storm" logo.
10	Seattle University	Recognizes Seattle University.
11	Share the road	Recognizes an organization that
12		promotes bicycle safety and
13		awareness education.
14	Ski & ride Washington	Recognizes the Washington
15		snowsports industry.
16	State flower	Recognizes the Washington state
17		flower.
18	Volunteer firefighters	Recognizes volunteer firefighters.
19	Washington farmers and ranchers	Recognizes farmers and ranchers
20		in Washington state.
21	<u>Washington law enforcement</u>	<u>Recognizes the health and</u>
22	<u>officer health and wellness</u>	<u>wellness of Washington's law</u>
23		<u>enforcement officers.</u>
24	Washington lighthouses	Recognizes an organization that
25		supports selected Washington
26		state lighthouses and provides
27		environmental education
28		programs.
29	Washington state aviation	Displays a Stearman biplane in
30		the foreground with an image of
31		Mount Rainier in the background.

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

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

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

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

24 In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
25 application for a vehicle registration in chapter 46.16A RCW, the  
26 holder of a special license plate shall pay the appropriate special  
27 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

1	(8) Fred Hutch	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	(9) Gonzaga University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
3	alumni association			
4	(10) Helping kids speak	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
5	(11) Horseless carriage	\$ 35.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
6	(12) Keep kids safe	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
7	(13) Law enforcement	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
8	memorial			
9	(14) Military affiliate radio	\$ 5.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
10	system			
11	(15) Music matters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
12	(16) Professional	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
13	firefighters and			
14	paramedics			
15	(17) Purple Heart	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
16	(18) Ride share	\$ 25.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.030
17	(19) San Juan Islands	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
18	(20) Seattle Mariners	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
19	(21) Seattle Seahawks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
20	(22) Seattle Sounders FC	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
21	(23) Seattle Storm	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
22	(24) Seattle University	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
23	(25) Share the road	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
24	(26) Ski & ride Washington	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
25	(27) Square dancer	\$ 40.00	N/A	RCW 46.68.070
26	(28) State flower	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
27	(29) Volunteer firefighters	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
28	(30) Washington farmers	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
29	and ranchers			
30	(31) Washington lighthouses	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
31	(32) Washington state	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
32	aviation			
33	(33) Washington state parks	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425

1	(34) Washington state	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
2	wrestling			
3	(35) Washington tennis	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
4	(36) Washington's fish	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
5	collection			
6	(37) <u>Washington law</u>	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>RCW 46.68.420</u>
7	<u>enforcement health</u>			
8	<u>and wellness</u>			
9	(38) Washington's national	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
10	parks			
11	((38)) (39) Washington's	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
12	wildlife collection			
13	((39)) (40) We love our	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.420
14	pets			
15	((40)) (41) Wild on	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	RCW 46.68.425
16	Washington			

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

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

35	ACCOUNT	CONDITIONS FOR USE OF
36		FUNDS

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



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

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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

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

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	<u>Washington state fraternal order</u>	<u>Provide funds to support the</u>
20	<u>of police memorial foundation</u>	<u>health and wellness of law</u>
21		<u>enforcement officers and their</u>
22		<u>families with a special focus on</u>
23		<u>mental health. Sponsored</u>
24		<u>programming and services to be</u>
25		<u>offered throughout the state to</u>
26		<u>current and/or former law</u>
27		<u>enforcement professionals,</u>
28		<u>including professionals who</u>
29		<u>experience and risk exposure to</u>
30		<u>sustained amounts of stress and</u>
31		<u>trauma</u>
32	Washington state wrestling	Provide funds to the Washington
33		state wrestling foundation to fund
34		new and existing college
35		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 (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 "Washington law enforcement health and wellness license plates"  
37 means special license plates issued under RCW 46.18.200 that

1 recognizes the health and wellness of Washington's law enforcement  
2 officers.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act takes effect October 1, 2020.

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