

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0178

Wyoming native-specialty license plate.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Esquibel, K. and Senator(s)  
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to motor vehicle license plates;  
2 authorizing special Wyoming native license plates;  
3 specifying requirements; providing for fees as specified;  
4 and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 31-2-230 is created to read:

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10 **31-2-230. Wyoming native license plates.**

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12 (a) Any person required to register a vehicle in  
13 Wyoming pursuant to W.S. 31-2-201 may apply to the  
14 department for a statement of eligibility for distinctive  
15 Wyoming native license plates for any motor vehicle owned

1 by the applicant upon registration of the vehicle. Upon  
2 payment by the applicant of a fee of one hundred dollars  
3 (\$100.00) to the department, along with documentation  
4 required under subsection (b) of this section, the  
5 department shall issue a written statement of eligibility  
6 for Wyoming native license plates. Application shall be  
7 made at least thirty (30) days before registration of the  
8 vehicle expires. Any fees collected under this section  
9 shall be payable to the department and shall be deposited  
10 in the highway fund created by W.S. 9-4-204(u) (i).

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12 (b) Any person who was born in Wyoming and who  
13 graduated from a Wyoming high school may apply for and use  
14 a Wyoming native license plate. Any person who applies for  
15 a Wyoming native license plate shall provide the department  
16 with a copy of the applicant's Wyoming birth certificate  
17 and proof of the applicant's graduation from a Wyoming high  
18 school at the time of application. The county treasurer  
19 shall provide any applicant with an application form  
20 developed by the department.

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22 (c) License plates issued under this section shall be  
23 displayed upon the vehicle for which they are issued.

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2 (d) Except as provided in this section, application  
3 for, issuance and renewal of license plates shall be  
4 subject to the same requirements and fees as provided in  
5 this article. The fee required under W.S.  
6 31-3-102(a)(viii) shall accompany each application.

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8 (e) The department shall prescribe the design of the  
9 special license plate authorized by this section, which  
10 shall include an image of the bucking horse and rider as  
11 described in W.S. 8-3-117, in consultation with the  
12 secretary of state's office, and arrange for production of  
13 the license plates. Following initial approval, Wyoming  
14 native license plates shall be subject to redesign on the  
15 same schedule as all license plates beginning with the year  
16 2017 reissuance. The license plates shall be issued by the  
17 county treasurer of each county.

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19 (f) The department may prepare any special forms and  
20 issue any rules and regulations necessary to carry out this  
21 section.

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1       **Section 2.** This act is effective January 1, 2016.

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