

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 4.24 RCW a new section read as follows:

For the purposes of section 1 of this act the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise;

(1) "Good faith" means a state of mind denoting honesty of purpose, integrity, and a reasonable opinion that the immediacy of the situation is such that the rendering of care should not be postponed until the injured person is hospitalized.

(2) "Emergency care" means care, first aid, treatment, or assistance rendered to the injured person in need of immediate medical attention and includes providing or arranging for further medical treatment or care for the injured person. Except with respect to the injured person or persons being transported for further medical treatment or care, the immunity granted by section 1 of this act above does not apply to the negligent operation of any motor vehicle.

(3) "Scene of an emergency" means the scene of an accident or other sudden or unexpected event or combination of circumstances which calls for immediate action other than in a hospital, doctor's office, or other place where qualified medical personnel practice or are employed.

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CHAPTER 59

[Substitute House Bill No. 132]

PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES—ELIGIBLE
VEHICLES—FEES

AN ACT Relating to personalized license plates; amending section 2, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.560; amending section 3, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.565; amending section 4, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.570; amending section 7, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.585; amending section 8, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.590; amending section 9, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.595; and amending section 1, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 77.12.175; and providing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.560 are each amended to read as follows:

Personalized license plates, as used in this chapter, means license plates that have displayed upon them the registration number assigned to the ((passenger motor)) vehicle or camper for which such registration number was issued in a combination of letters or numbers, or both, requested by the owner of the vehicle or camper in accordance with this chapter.

Sec. 2. Section 3, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.565 are each amended to read as follows:

Any person who is the registered owner of a passenger motor vehicle not for hire, a truck not powered by diesel fuel, a trailer, a camper, a private bus, or a

motorcycle registered with the department or who makes application for an original registration (~~of a passenger motor vehicle~~) or renewal registration of (~~a passenger motor~~) such vehicle or camper may, upon payment of the fee prescribed in RCW 46.16.585, apply to the department for personalized license plates, in the manner described in RCW 46.16.580, which plates shall be affixed to the (~~passenger motor~~) vehicle or camper for which registration is sought in lieu of the regular license plates.

Sec. 3. Section 4, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.570 are each amended to read as follows:

The personalized license plates shall be the same design as regular (~~passenger motor vehicle~~) license plates, and shall consist of numbers or letters, or any combination thereof not exceeding six positions and not less than two positions: PROVIDED, That there are no conflicts with existing passenger, commercial, trailer, motorcycle, or special license plates series or with the provisions of RCW 46.16.230 or 46.16.235: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the maximum number of positions on personalized license plates for motorcycles shall be designated by the department.

Sec. 4. Section 7, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.585 are each amended to read as follows:

In addition to the regular registration fee, and any other fees and taxes required to be paid upon registration, the applicant shall be charged a fee of thirty dollars. In addition to the regular renewal fee, and in addition to any other fees and taxes required to be paid, the applicant for a renewal of such plates shall be charged an additional fee of twenty dollars: PROVIDED, That any person who purchased personalized license plates containing three letters and three digits on or between the dates of August 9, 1971, and November 6, 1973, shall not be required to pay the additional annual renewal fee of twenty dollars commencing with the year 1976. All personalized license plates must be renewed on an annual basis, regardless of whether a vehicle on which they are displayed will not be driven on public highways or may also be eligible to display permanent license plates valid for the life of such vehicle without annual renewal. Personalized license plates that are not renewed must be surrendered to the department, and failure to do so shall be a misdemeanor.

Sec. 5. Section 8, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.590 are each amended to read as follows:

Whenever any person who has been issued personalized license plates applies to the department for transfer of such plates to a subsequently acquired (~~passenger motor~~) vehicle or camper eligible for personalized license plates, a transfer fee of five dollars shall be charged in addition to all other appropriate fees. Such transfer fees shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund.

Sec. 6. Section 9, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.16.595 are each amended to read as follows:

When any person who has been issued personalized license plates sells, trades, or otherwise releases ownership of the vehicle upon which the personalized license plates have been displayed, he shall immediately report the transfer of such plates

to an acquired (~~passenger motor~~) vehicle or camper eligible for personalized license plates, pursuant to RCW 46.16.590, or he shall surrender such plates to the department forthwith and release his priority to the letters or numbers, or combination thereof, displayed on the personalized license plates. Failure to surrender such plates shall constitute a misdemeanor.

Sec. 7. Section 1, chapter 200, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 77.12.175 are each amended to read as follows:

It is declared to be the public policy of the state of Washington to direct financial resources of this state toward the support and aid of the wildlife resources existing within the state of Washington in order that the general welfare of these inhabitants of the state be served. For the purposes of this chapter, wildlife resources are understood to be those species of wildlife other than that managed by the department of fisheries under their existing jurisdiction as well as all unclassified marine fish, shellfish, and marine invertebrates which shall remain under the jurisdiction of the director of fisheries. The legislature further finds that the preservation, protection, perpetuation, and enhancement of such wildlife resources of the state is of major concern to it, and that aid for a satisfactory environment and ecological balance in this state for such wildlife resources serves a public interest, purpose, and desire.

It is further declared that such preservation, protection, perpetuation, and enhancement can be fostered through financial support derived on a voluntary basis from those citizens of the state of Washington who wish to assist in such objectives; that a desirable manner of accomplishing this is through offering personalized license plates for (~~motor~~) certain vehicles and campers the fees for which are to be directed to the state treasury to the credit of the state game fund for the furtherance of the programs, policies, and activities of the state game department in preservation, protection, perpetuation, and enhancement of the wildlife resources that abound within the geographical limits of the state of Washington.

In particular, the legislature recognizes the benefit of this program to be specifically directed toward those species of wildlife including but not limited to song birds, protected wildlife, rare and endangered wildlife, aquatic life, and specialized-habitat types, both terrestrial and aquatic, as well as all unclassified marine fish, shellfish, and marine invertebrates which shall remain under the jurisdiction of the director of fisheries that exist within the limits of the state of Washington.

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CHAPTER 60

[House Bill No. 410]

PORT DISTRICTS, PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICTS— EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS—LEGAL DEFENSE

AN ACT Relating to local government; adding a new section to chapter 53.08 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 54.16 RCW.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington: