HOUSE BILL NO. HBOO41

Special license plate for firefighters.
Sponsored by: Representative(s) McOmie, Diercks, Edwards, Esquibel, Law and Luthi and Senator(s) Coe, Larson and Vasey

## A BILL <br> for

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AN ACT relating to motor vehicle license plates;
    authorizing special license plates to be issued to
    firefighters; specifying requirements; providing for
    termination of the issuance and report of the termination
    as specified; and providing for an effective date.
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    Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:
        Section 1. W.S. 31-2-218 is created to read:
        31-2-218. Firefighter's license plates.
        (a) A firefighter employed by a city, county, state
        or duly created fire protection district or a volunteer
        firefighter as defined by w.S. 35-9-601 may apply for
        distinctive license plates for any motor vehicle owned by
    him upon registration of the vehicle. If the firefighter became a member of a bona fide fire department after January 1, 1995, he shall have a minimum of one (1) year service with the fire department and be firefighter one certified or engine boss wildfire certified in order to apply for the license plate. The fire chief or his designated assistant shall sign a written statement that the applicant is eligible to obtain the license plate. License plates issued under this section shall be displayed upon the vehicle for which they are issued. The license plates shall bear a distinctive symbol and letters identifying the registrant as a firefighter.
(b) Application for license plates under subsection (a) of this section shall be annually made to the county treasurer as provided by W.S. 31-2-201. The written statement of eligibility required under subsection (a) of this section shall be presented to the county treasurer before a license plate may be issued. Application forms shall be available at all county treasurer's offices. The fee required under w.S. 31-3-102(a)(viii) shall accompany each application.
(c) No license plate or renewal sticker shall be issued under this section without written statement of eligibility required under subsection (a) of this section. All applications for special license plates provided by this section shall be made directly to the county treasurer at least thirty (30) days before registration of the vehicle expires.
(d) The department of transportation may prepare any special forms and issue any rules and regulations necessary to carry out this section. A license plate issued under this section shall meet the Wyoming department of transportation's requirements under w.S. 31-2-217(d) relating to the symbol or letters appearing on the license plate.
(e) Unless one thousand (1,000) license plates are issued under this section before December 31, 2008, the plate authorized under this section shall be eliminated from production and the department of transportation shall report the cessation of production to the legislature not later than January 15, 2009.

Section 2. This act is effective January 1, 2004.

