

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0178

Wyoming native-specialty license plate.

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

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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