

SENATE FILE NO. SF0149

Wildlife conservation license plates-amendments.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Pappas and Representative(s)  
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; authorizing county  
2 treasurers to accept applications and payment for wildlife  
3 conservation license plates; amending application  
4 requirements; requiring rulemaking; and providing for  
5 effective dates.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 31-2-231(a), (b)(intro) and (c) is  
10 amended to read:

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12 **31-2-231. Wildlife conservation license plates;**  
13 **wildlife conservation account; authority to receive and**  
14 **expend monies.**

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1           (a) Any person required to register a vehicle in  
2 Wyoming pursuant to this article may apply to the  
3 department or county treasurer for a statement of  
4 eligibility for wildlife conservation license plates for  
5 any motor vehicle that is not a commercial vehicle or  
6 multipurpose vehicle owned or leased by that person upon  
7 registration of the vehicle. The department or county  
8 treasurer may include as part of the application the option  
9 for the applicant to donate an additional amount in support  
10 of wildlife conservation efforts related to the  
11 transportation system. Upon payment by the applicant of a  
12 fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) to the  
13 department or county treasurer, plus any additional  
14 voluntary amount, the department or county treasurer shall  
15 issue a written statement of eligibility for wildlife  
16 conservation license plates. The department or county  
17 treasurer shall assess an annual fee of fifty dollars  
18 (\$50.00) for a person to retain eligibility for wildlife  
19 conservation plates, but this annual fee shall not be  
20 charged in the year the person pays the one hundred fifty  
21 dollars (\$150.00) eligibility fee. The person may submit an  
22 additional voluntary amount in support of wildlife

1 conservation efforts related to the transportation system  
2 when remitting the annual fee.

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4 (b) The fees collected under subsection (a) of this  
5 section shall be payable to the department or county  
6 treasurer and shall be accounted for separately. Except as  
7 otherwise provided by law, the fees collected under  
8 subsection (a) of this section and funds collected under  
9 W.S. 23-2-101(p), 23-2-201(h), 23-2-306(d), 24-1-131(b),  
10 31-2-225(a)(vi), 31-2-404(f)(ii), 31-2-409(h)(ii),  
11 31-2-703(e)(ii), 31-3-101(j), 31-7-111(b)(xiv) and  
12 36-4-121(t) shall be distributed to the wildlife  
13 conservation account within the state highway fund, which  
14 is hereby created. The wildlife conservation account shall  
15 be administered in accordance with the following:

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17 (c) ~~Applicants shall apply at least thirty (30) days~~  
18 ~~before registration is required for the vehicle for which~~  
19 ~~the plates are intended.~~ Except as provided in this  
20 section, application for, issuance and renewal of the  
21 wildlife conservation license plates under this section  
22 shall be subject to the same requirements and fees as  
23 provided in this article in addition to the fee collected

1 under subsection (a) of this section. The license plate  
2 fees required under W.S. 31-3-102(a)(viii) shall accompany  
3 each application. The license plates under this section  
4 shall be issued by the county treasurer of each county and  
5 shall be displayed only upon the vehicle for which they are  
6 issued.

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8 **Section 2.** The department of transportation shall  
9 adopt all rules necessary to implement this act.

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11 **Section 3.**

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13 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this  
14 section, this act is effective immediately upon completion  
15 of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided  
16 by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

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18 (b) Section 1 of this act is effective July 1, 2025.

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