

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 1368 S HB	Title: New special license plates
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Estimated Cash Receipts

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Department of Licensing	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.								
Department of Corrections	0	0	75,000	0	0	62,000	0	0	38,000
Total \$	0	0	75,000	0	0	62,000	0	0	38,000

Agency Name	2025-27		2027-29		2029-31	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Courts						
Loc School dist-SPI						
Local Gov. Other	No fiscal impact					
Local Gov. Total						

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27				2027-29				2029-31			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Department of Licensing	1.1	0	0	546,000	.7	0	0	342,000	.7	0	0	293,000
Department of Corrections	.0	0	0	68,000	.0	0	0	58,000	.0	0	0	34,000
Total \$	1.1	0	0	614,000	0.7	0	0	400,000	0.7	0	0	327,000

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	No fiscal impact								
Local Gov. Total									

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2025-27			2027-29			2029-31		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Department of Licensing	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Corrections	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

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Loc School dist-SPI									
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Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

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Part I: Estimates

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No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.
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Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	1.5	0.7	1.1	0.7	0.7
Account					
Motor Vehicle Account-State 108 -1	342,000	204,000	546,000	342,000	293,000
Total \$	342,000	204,000	546,000	342,000	293,000

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

Sec. 1 – Amends RCW 46.17.220

- Keep Washington evergreen special plate and fees (\$40 for initial and \$30 for renewal).
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- Creates a moratorium on new Department-issued special plate series until July 1, 2029.
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- Outlines the designs for the 10 new special plates.
- Keep Washington evergreen: Requires the special plate to display a green lettering on a white background in a style similar to the license plates issued by the department in the 1970s, but includes the words evergreen state along the bottom of the plate..
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II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

Please see attached fiscal note.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

Please see attached fiscal note.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
108-1	Motor Vehicle Account	State	342,000	204,000	546,000	342,000	293,000
Total \$			342,000	204,000	546,000	342,000	293,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years	1.5	0.7	1.1	0.7	0.7
A-Salaries and Wages	88,000	41,000	129,000	82,000	82,000
B-Employee Benefits	37,000	17,000	54,000	34,000	34,000
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	217,000	146,000	363,000	226,000	177,000
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
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III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA*

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Licensing Services Representative 1	58,376	1.2	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.6
Licensing Services Representative 3	67,720	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Total FTEs		1.5	0.7	1.1	0.7	0.7

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Agency 240 – Department of Licensing

Bill Number: SHB 1368

Bill Title: New special license plates

Part 1: Estimates

☐ No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts:

INDETERMINATE; PLEASE SEE NARRATIVE

Estimated Expenditures:

Object Name		FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
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Bill #	1368 SHB

Part 2 – Explanation

Department of Licensing (DOL) will have 10 new special license plates with conditional effective dates based on when their signatures are submitted. DOL currently has collected and submitted signatures for 4 out of 10 of the plates. These plates include Pollinator plate, Smokey the Bear, Pickleball (State Sport) and LeMay Car Museum. The remaining 6 other plates would need to submit signatures before November 1, 2026, to become effective on that date. Additionally, puts a moratorium on any new series of Department-issued special plates until July 1, 2029.

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Proceeds from the plates will go toward their respective programs and services. Effective date is November 1, 2025.

Changes from HB 1368 to SHB 1368

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2.B - Cash receipts Impact

The Department of Licensing makes the following assumptions regarding this bill.

Standard special plate definition/criteria:

- Anyone can buy the specialty plate for use on a vehicle registered to that person.
- Specialty plates can be used on motor vehicles, trailers and motorcycles.
- All customers pay the same specialty plate fee.
- The special plate and vehicle expirations match.
- Specialty plate license fees, minus DOL's portion, go to a single account.
- Specialty plates are renewed annually with the vehicle.
- Specialty plates are transferable.

This bill creates a special license plate and establishes fees of \$40 for an original, \$30 for a renewed plate, and establishes the distribution of those fees.

If this bill becomes law, it will allow vehicle owners the option to choose a new type of specialty license plate for their vehicle in lieu of the standard issue plate. There is no information available, and it is not known how many of these new specialty plates might be purchased. The total revenue impact is indeterminate.

However, based on historical purchase data of all special plates, the following sales estimates below could occur:

For all plates effective 11/1/25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32	FY 33	FY 34	FY 35
Originals	5,269	2,948	2,866	2,116	1,435	1,518	1,407	1,509	1,598	1,607
Renewals	0	4,539	6,426	7,908	8,682	8,716	8,810	9,004	9,740	10,368
Total	5,269	7,487	9,292	10,024	10,117	10,234	10,217	10,513	11,338	11,975

For all plates effective 11/1/26	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32	FY 33	FY 34	FY 35
Originals	0	7,186	4,020	3,909	2,886	1,957	2,070	1,920	2,059	2,180
Renewals	0	0	6,191	8,764	10,786	11,842	11,888	12,016	12,282	13,287
Total	0	7,186	10,211	12,673	13,672	13,799	13,958	13,936	14,341	15,467

2.C – Expenditures

RCW 46.18.140 requires special license plate sponsoring organizations to either pay all start-up costs to DOL for deposit to the motor vehicle fund before creating a special license plate series or that DOL may keep all special license plate revenue until such time that DOL's startup costs are fully reimbursed.

Of the ten plates that are included in this bill, the following have submitted signatures for an effective issuance date of Nov 1, 2025.

- Pollinator plate
- Smokey the Bear
- Pickleball (State Sport)
- LeMay Car Museum

For DOL to meet the issuance date of November 1, 2026, for any of the 6 new specialty plate, that have not submitted signatures, work will be done in fiscal year 2026 and all costs associated with the work is reflected in the following estimates.

Program Costs:

DOL requires a Licensing Services Representative 1 to process plate application requests. It takes approximately 9 minutes per plate application to process. Based on estimated plate demand and associated workload factors will require 1.16 FTE in the first fiscal year and .58 FTE on-going.

DOL requires a Licensing Services Representative 3 to review and approve plate applications and to provide general supervision of staff. Based on estimated plate demand and associated workload factors will require .30 in the first fiscal year .10 FTE on-going.

	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31
Plate Counts	5,269	10,134	6,886	6,025	4,321	3,475
Plate Sets Digital @ 4.845 each	\$ 25,528	\$ 49,099	\$ 33,363	\$ 29,191	\$ 20,935	\$ 16,836

	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31
Monthly Tab Including Renewals	5,269	10,134	6,886	6,025	4,321	3,475
Yearly Tab Including Renewals	-	4,539	12,617	16,672	19,468	20,558
Total	\$ 303	\$ 846	\$ 1,128	\$ 1,313	\$ 1,378	\$ 1,392

	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31
Original Mail	5,269	10,134	6,886	6,025	4,321	3,475
Postage @ 4.500	\$ 23,711	\$ 45,603	\$ 30,987	\$ 27,113	\$ 19,445	\$ 15,638
Renewal by Mail (33%)	-	1,498	4,164	5,502	6,424	6,784
Postage @ \$.73	\$ -	\$ 1,093	\$ 3,039	\$ 4,016	\$ 4,690	\$ 4,952
Total	\$ 23,711	\$ 46,696	\$ 34,026	\$ 31,129	\$ 24,135	\$ 20,590

Total for Plates, Tabs, & Postage	\$ 49,542	\$ 96,641	\$ 68,517	\$ 61,633	\$ 46,448	\$ 38,818
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Total	5,269	14,673	19,503	22,697	23,789	24,033

Information Services:

The vehicle licensing component of DRIVES modernization was successfully implemented in December 2016. Completed IT system improvements will reduce DOL's workload related to implementing standard special (non-complex) license plates. DOL has determined that up to five standard special plates can be implemented per legislative session without additional IT costs. However, if DOL is required to implement six or more standard special plates, staff capacity is not sufficient, and it would be necessary to contract required IT system changes out to a vendor at the cost of \$21,800 per special plate.

Support Services:

Agency Administrative Overhead is included at a rate of 24.8 percent of the direct program costs. This funding received covers agency-wide functions such as vendor payments, contract administration, financial management, mail processing, equipment management, help desk support, and technical assistance to DOL employees. These indirect costs are shown under object E.

Part 3 – Expenditure Detail

3.A – Operating Budget Expenditures

Account Name	Account	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
Motor Vehicle	108	342,000	204,000	546,000	342,000	293,000
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3.B – Expenditures by Object or Purpose

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3.C – FTE Detail

Position	Salary	FY 26	FY 27	25-27 Total	27-29 Total	29-31 Total
Licensing Services Representative 1	58,376	1.16	0.58	0.87	0.58	0.58
Licensing Services Representative 3	67,720	0.30	0.10	0.20	0.10	0.10
Total FTE		1.46	0.68	1.07	0.68	0.68

Part 4 – Capital Budget Impact

None.

Part 5 – New Rule Making Required

None.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1368 S HB	Title: New special license plates	Agency: 310-Department of Corrections
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Part I: Estimates

☐ No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

ACCOUNT	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Correctional Industries	26,000	49,000	75,000	62,000	38,000
Account-Non-Appropriated 401-6					
Total \$	26,000	49,000	75,000	62,000	38,000

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Account					
Correctional Industries	23,000	45,000	68,000	58,000	34,000
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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

An act creating several new special license plates.

SHB 1368 differs from the latest version, HB 1368, in the following way:

Section 1 updates the language in RCW 46.17.220 to add a Firefighter memorial, Seattle Reign FC, and Washington state honey bees and pollinators special license plate to the license plate fee list with an initial fee of \$40 and a renewal fee of \$30 distributed under RCW 46.68.420.

Section 2(2) updates the language in RCW 46.18.200 to add the following special license plates and their descriptions to the list of special license plates that are approved and issued by the Department of Licensing (DOL): Firefighter memorial, Seattle Reign FC, and Washington state honey bees and pollinators.

Section 2(5)(b)(i-ii) updates the language in RCW 46.18.200 to specify that signature sheet requirements found in RCW 46.18.110 must be met by March 1, 2025, November 1, 2026, or July 1, 2029, for DOL to issue any plates created under this act.

The following impacts remain unchanged from the previous bill version, HB1368:

Section 1 updates the language in RCW 46.17.220 to add a Keep Washington evergreen and a Smokey Bear special license plate to the license plate fee list with an initial fee of \$40 and a renewal fee of \$30 distributed under RCW 46.68.425 and a LeMay America’s Car Museum, a Mount St. Helens, a Nautical Northwest, a State sport, and a Working forests special license plate to the license plate fee list with an initial fee of \$40 and a renewal fee of \$30 distributed under RCW 46.68.420.

Section 2(2) updates the language in RCW 46.18.200 to add the following special license plates and their descriptions to the list of special license plates that are approved and issued by the DOL: Keep Washington evergreen, LeMay-America’s Car Museum, Mount St. Helens, Nautical Northwest, Smokey Bear, State sport, and Working forests.

Section 16 states this act will take effect November 1, 2025.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

The updated bill language from HB 1368 to SHB 1368 changes the previous fiscal impact assumptions to the Department of Corrections (DOC). The estimated quantities of specialty plates provided by DOL have changed.

There are cash receipt impacts to the DOC non-appropriated Correctional Industries Account 401.

Correctional Industries (CI) produces license plates for DOL and as a result of this bill estimates an increase in production. The cost of special license plates to DOL is \$4.845 per set and \$2.423 per singles. Below are the revised estimated quantities needed by DOL to implement this bill by Fiscal Year (FY).

FY2026: 5,269 sets
FY2027: 10,134 sets
FY2028: 6,886 sets
FY2029: 6,025 sets
FY2030: 4,321 sets

FY2031: 3,475 sets

Based on the revised estimated quantities of special license plates provided by DOL, the projected revenue generated is:

FY2026: \$25,528 | (5,269 X \$4.845 = \$25,528)

FY2027: \$49,099 | (10,134 X \$4.845 = \$49,099)

FY2028: \$33,363 | (6,886 X \$4.845 = \$33,363)

FY2029: \$29,191 | (6,025 X \$4.845 = \$29,191)

FY2030: \$20,935 | (4,321 X \$4.845 = \$20,935)

FY2031: \$16,836 | (3,475 X \$4.845 = \$16,836)

Projected revenue is slightly higher than the expenditures. The variance supports administrative costs to run the program.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

The updated bill language from HB 1368 to SHB 1368 changes the previous fiscal impact assumptions to the DOC. The specialty plate count estimates provided by DOL have changed.

The fiscal impact for this bill is still estimated at less than \$50,000 per FY.

This bill will result in an increased number of special license plates being manufactured and has a workload impact to CI. License plates are manufactured by incarcerated individuals who are paid an average gratuity of \$1.59 per hour for this line of business. Due to the increase in special license plates purchased, CI will have additional costs associated for incarcerated individual gratuity pay and raw materials to produce the special license plates.

Production costs by FY:

FY2026: \$23,421 | (5,269 X \$4.445 = \$23,421)

FY2027: \$45,046 | (10,134 X \$4.445 = \$45,046)

FY2028: \$30,608 | (6,886 X \$4.445 = \$30,608)

FY2029: \$26,781 | (6,025 X \$4.445 = \$26,781)

FY2030: \$19,207 | (4,321 X \$4.445 = \$19,207)

FY2031: \$15,446 | (3,475 X \$4.445 = \$15,446)

DOC STANDARD ASSUMPTIONS:

1. The DOL will purchase special license plates from CI.
2. The cost to DOL per set of special license plates is \$4.845
3. CI special license plate production costs are \$4.445 per set of license plates.
4. Increased production of license plates affords incarcerated individual jobs, which enhances prison safety by reducing idleness and increases public safety by providing much needed job skills.
5. Projected revenue is slightly higher than the expenditures. The difference is for the administrative costs to run the program.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
401-6	Correctional Industries Account	Non-Appropriated	23,000	45,000	68,000	58,000	34,000
Total \$			23,000	45,000	68,000	58,000	34,000

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
FTE Staff Years					
A-Salaries and Wages					
B-Employee Benefits					
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	23,000	45,000	68,000	58,000	34,000
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
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Total \$	23,000	45,000	68,000	58,000	34,000

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2026	FY 2027	2025-27	2027-29	2029-31
Correctional Industries (400)	23,000	45,000	68,000	58,000	34,000
Total \$	23,000	45,000	68,000	58,000	34,000

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

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Part I: Jurisdiction—Location, type or status of political subdivision defines range of fiscal impacts.

Legislation Impacts:

- ☐ Cities:
- ☐ Counties:
- ☐ Special Districts:
- ☐ Specific jurisdictions only:
- ☐ Variance occurs due to:

Part II: Estimates

- ☒ No fiscal impacts.
- ☐ Expenditures represent one-time costs:
- ☐ Legislation provides local option:
- ☐ Key variables cannot be estimated with certainty at this time:

Estimated revenue impacts to:

None

Estimated expenditure impacts to:

None

Part III: Preparation and Approval

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Part IV: Analysis

A. SUMMARY OF BILL

Description of the bill with an emphasis on how it impacts local government.

CHANGES BETWEEN THIS VERSION AND PRIOR VERSION OF THE BILL:

The substitute bill adds additional special license plates. These changes do not create fiscal impacts for local governments

SUMMARY OF CURRENT BILL:

The legislation creates the Keep Washington Evergreen, LeMay-America's Car Museum, Mount St. Helens, Nautical Northwest, Smokey Bear, State Sport, Seattle Reign FC, Firefighter Memorial and the Washington State Honey Bees and Pollinators special license plates.

This legislation would take effect November 1, 2025.

B. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE IMPACTS

Expenditure impacts of the legislation on local governments with the expenditure provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of expenditures. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.

This legislation would have no impact on local government expenditures.

C. SUMMARY OF REVENUE IMPACTS

Revenue impacts of the legislation on local governments, with the revenue provisions identified by section number, and when appropriate, the detail of revenue sources. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.

This legislation will have no impact on local government expenditures, since the creation of the special license plates will not change the registration filing fee currently collected by county auditors.

SOURCES

Washington State Department of Licensing



Multiple Agency Ten-Year Analysis Summary

Bill Number	Title
1368 S HB	New special license plates

This ten-year analysis is limited to the estimated cash receipts associated with the proposed tax or fee increases.

Estimated Cash Receipts

Department of Licensing Indeterminate Impact	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Department of Corrections	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



Ten-Year Analysis

Bill Number 1368 S HB	Title New special license plates	Agency 240 Department of Licensing
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This ten-year analysis is limited to agency estimated cash receipts associated with the proposed tax or fee increases. The Office of Financial Management ten-year projection can be found at <http://www.ofm.wa.gov/tax/default.asp>.

Estimates

☐ **No Cash Receipts** ☐ **Partially Indeterminate Cash Receipts** ☒ **Indeterminate Cash Receipts**

Estimated Cash Receipts

Name of Tax or Fee	Acct Code											
Total												

Biennial Totals

Narrative Explanation (Required for Indeterminate Cash Receipts)

INDETERMINATE---There is no information available, and it is not known how many of these new specialty plates might be purchased.

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Ten-Year Analysis

Bill Number 1368 S HB	Title New special license plates	Agency 310 Department of Corrections
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This ten-year analysis is limited to agency estimated cash receipts associated with the proposed tax or fee increases. The Office of Financial Management ten-year projection can be found at <http://www.ofm.wa.gov/tax/default.asp>.

Estimates

☒ **No Cash Receipts** ☐ **Partially Indeterminate Cash Receipts** ☐ **Indeterminate Cash Receipts**

Name of Tax or Fee	Acct Code											
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