

SENATE FILE NO. SF0158

Front license plates.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Craft and Hastert and  
Representative(s) Freeman, Greene and Reeder

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to license plates; providing that front  
2 license plates need not be displayed under specified  
3 circumstances; establishing fees; and providing for an  
4 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. 31-2-204(a), 31-2-205(a)(i)(A),  
9 31-2-206 by creating a new subsection (n) and 31-2-212 are  
10 amended to read:

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12 **31-2-204. Issuance of certificates of registration**  
13 **and license plates by county; form.**

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15 (a) Upon receipt of an approved application and  
16 payment of fees the county treasurer shall issue to the  
17 applicant a certificate of registration conforming with the

1 facts set forth in the application together with one (1)  
2 license plate or validation sticker for motorcycles,  
3 multipurpose vehicles, trailers, including house trailers,  
4 and vehicles operated with dealer license plates and two  
5 (2) license plates or proper validation stickers for any  
6 other vehicle. If a front plate exemption sticker is  
7 obtained pursuant to W.S. 31-2-205(a)(i)(A), the county  
8 treasurer shall issue to the applicant a certificate of  
9 registration together with one (1) license plate or  
10 validation sticker and one (1) front plate exemption  
11 sticker manufactured by the department. A copy of the  
12 certificate of registration shall be carried at all times  
13 in the motor vehicle for which it is valid and shall be  
14 displayed upon demand of any peace officer.

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16 **31-2-205. Display of license plates.**

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18 (a) License plates for vehicles shall be:

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20 (i) Conspicuously displayed and securely  
21 fastened to be plainly visible:

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23 (A) One (1) on the front of the vehicle,  
24 excluding motorcycles, multipurpose vehicles, trailers

1 (including house trailers), vehicles operated with demo,  
2 full use or manufacturer license plates issued pursuant to  
3 W.S. 31-16-125, street rods registered pursuant to W.S.  
4 31-2-226 and custom vehicles registered pursuant to W.S.  
5 31-2-227, provided that such custom vehicles were  
6 manufactured prior to 1968 or were originally manufactured  
7 to have one (1) license plate. No front plate shall be  
8 required if an exemption has been granted upon application  
9 to the county treasurer and receipt by the county treasurer  
10 for deposit into the highway fund of a fee of one hundred  
11 dollars (\$100.00), and for which one (1) front plate  
12 exemption sticker is displayed in the front windshield of  
13 the vehicle for which the exemption was granted;

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15 **31-2-206. Annual renewal; delivery of license plates**  
16 **and stickers; staggered registration.**

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18 (n) Annual renewal stickers shall be displayed one  
19 (1) on each license plate required to be placed on a  
20 vehicle.

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22 **31-2-212. Loss, mutilation or destruction of**  
23 **registration, plates or validation stickers.**

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1 Upon loss, mutilation or destruction of a certificate of  
2 registration, license plate, front plate exemption sticker  
3 or validation sticker the owner of a vehicle may obtain a  
4 duplicate certificate of registration, new license plates,  
5 front plate exemption sticker or validation stickers from  
6 any county treasurer or the department if the vehicle was  
7 registered or plates or stickers were issued by the  
8 department upon application showing the loss, mutilation or  
9 destruction, return of mutilated plates or stickers and  
10 payment of the duplicate registration, plate or sticker  
11 fee. For those vehicles registered under the provisions of  
12 W.S. 31-2-213(h) or 31-2-215 through 31-2-223, replacement  
13 duplicate license plates may be obtained upon application  
14 with the county treasurer from which the original plates  
15 were purchased or the department if applicable, accompanied  
16 by fees as provided by W.S. 31-3-102(a)(vi)(C). Duplicate  
17 license plates obtained under this section to replace lost  
18 or stolen plates shall not be displayed on the vehicle  
19 until the validation stickers on the lost or stolen plates  
20 have expired. Upon loss, mutilation or destruction of a  
21 dealer plate or validation sticker the dealer may obtain a  
22 replacement dealer plate or validation sticker from the  
23 county treasurer from which he purchased the original plate  
24 in the same manner as the owner of a vehicle and upon

1 payment of the appropriate fee under W.S. 31-3-102(a)(vi).  
2 Obtaining a replacement plate is not the purchase of an  
3 additional plate under W.S. 31-16-125(b)(i). Upon  
4 application for new license plates or stickers the county  
5 treasurer shall notify the department and the county  
6 sheriff as soon as possible of the loss, mutilation or  
7 destruction. The department shall notify the appropriate  
8 law enforcement agencies of any loss, mutilation or  
9 destruction of license plates or stickers.

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11 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2013.

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