

SENATE FILE NO. SF0117

University of Wyoming car and truck license plates.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Driskill, Anselmi-Dalton and Moniz
and Representative(s) Blake, Brown, Haley,
Hunt and Pelkey

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; allowing a passenger car
2 and a truck to have the same University of Wyoming license
3 plate number with a symbol or letter differentiating the
4 vehicle types; 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. 31-2-219(a), (d) and by creating a new
9 subsection (g) is amended to read:

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11 **31-2-219. University of Wyoming license plates.**

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13 (a) Any person required to register a vehicle in
14 Wyoming pursuant to this article may apply to the University
15 of Wyoming for a statement of eligibility for distinctive

1 University of Wyoming license plates for any motor vehicle
2 that is not a commercial vehicle or multipurpose vehicle owned
3 or leased by the applicant upon registration of the vehicle.
4 An applicant shall specify the type of vehicle for which the
5 license plates are intended. Upon payment by the applicant of
6 a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) established and
7 assessed by the University of Wyoming, the university shall
8 issue a written statement of eligibility for University of
9 Wyoming license plates. Application shall be made at least
10 thirty (30) days before registration of the vehicle expires.
11 Any fees collected under this section shall be payable to the
12 University of Wyoming, shall be deposited in a separate
13 account and are continuously appropriated for use as provided
14 in W.S. 21-17-118. The fee authorized under this section may
15 be increased annually up to the percentage increase as shown
16 by the Wyoming cost-of-living index as determined by the
17 division of economic analysis of the department of
18 administration and information.

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20 (d) The department shall prescribe the design of the
21 special license plate authorized by this section, which shall
22 include an image of the bucking horse and rider as described
23 in W.S. 8-3-117, in consultation with the University of

1 Wyoming, the University of Wyoming Alumni Association and the
2 secretary of state's office, and arrange for production of
3 the license plates. The license plate shall also contain a
4 distinctive symbol or letters, as determined by the
5 department, to distinguish between a passenger car and a truck
6 in accordance with subsection (g) of this section. Following
7 initial approval, University of Wyoming plates shall be
8 subject to redesign on the same schedule as all license plates
9 beginning with the year 2017 reissuance. The license plates
10 shall be issued by the county treasurer of each county.

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12 (g) Beginning July 1, 2021, the department may issue
13 special license plates for a passenger car and special license
14 plates for a truck both bearing the same distinctive number
15 but including a distinctive symbol or letter to distinguish
16 between the passenger car and truck.

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18 **Section 2.** Notwithstanding W.S. 31-2-219(a) the
19 department of transportation shall account for the cost of
20 implementing this act for the fiscal year 2022 and shall
21 submit the accounting to the University of Wyoming at the end
22 of the 2022 fiscal year. From the monies collected under
23 W.S. 31-2-219(a) the University of Wyoming shall reimburse

1 the department of transportation for the cost incurred up to
2 seventy-six thousand two hundred dollars (\$76,200.00) in
3 total.

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5 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2019.

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