



**HB0026**

**Vehicle registration fees-tribal governments.**

Sponsored By: Representative(s) Posey, Larsen, L, Nicholas, Ottman, Provenza, Wharff and Yin and Senator(s) Barlow and Driskill

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; exempting motor vehicles owned by tribal governments from paying county and state registration fees; requiring the department of transportation to issue distinctive license plates for vehicles owned by tribal governments; and providing for an effective date.

12/19/2025 Bill Number Assigned  
1/9/2026 H Received for Introduction  
2/10/2026 H Introduced and Referred to H08 - Transportation 62-0-0-0-0

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Brown, L, Byron, Campbell, E, Campbell, K, Chestek, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Erickson, Filer, Fornstrom, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Hoeft, Jarvis, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Larsen, L, Larson, Jt, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Nicholas, Ottman, Pendergraft, Posey, Provenza, Riggins, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Sherwood, Singh, Smith, Storer, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Thayer, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams, Winter, Wylie, Yin

**Ayes** 62    **Nays** 0    **Excused** 0    **Absent** 0    **Conflicts** 0

2/12/2026 H08 - Transportation:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 8-0-1-0-0

**ROLL CALL**

**Ayes:** Representative(s) Banks, Brown, L, Geringer, Larsen, Mccann, Posey, Tarver, Wylie

**Excused:** Representative Nicholas

**Ayes** 8    **Nays** 0    **Excused** 1    **Absent** 0    **Conflicts** 0

2/12/2026 H Placed on General File

**HB0026HS001/ADOPTED**

Page 1-line 3 After "fees;" insert "requiring the department of transportation to issue distinctive license plates for vehicles owned by tribal governments;"

Page 1-line 7 After "W.S." insert "31-2-207 and"; delete "is" and insert "are".

Page 1-after line 7 Insert:

**"31-2-207. Publicly owned vehicles.**

Upon application the department shall issue distinctive license plates indicating public ownership for vehicles owned by the United States, state of Wyoming, a county, city, town or political subdivision of Wyoming, the tribal governments of the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho tribes of the Wind River Indian Reservation or a joint powers board under W.S. 16-1-101 through 16-1-109. A distinctive license plate under this section may be issued to any public entity specified in this section, provided that the public entity or another public entity specified in this section owns the vehicle and the public

entity applying for the distinctive license plate has the authority to possess and operate the vehicle in fulfillment of its public purpose. Upon presentation of proper credentials and identification of the applicant the department shall issue license plates not disclosing public ownership of a vehicle to investigative agencies of Wyoming and the criminal investigative agencies of the department of justice, department of defense and department of the treasury of the United States and the records of the department shall not disclose the public ownership of the vehicles."

Page 3-line 2 Delete "July 1, 2026" and insert "immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution". BROWN, L, CHAIRMAN

2/19/2026 H COW:Passed  
2/20/2026 H 2nd Reading:Passed  
2/21/2026 H 3rd Reading:Passed 61-0-1-0-0

#### ROLL CALL

**Ayes:** Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Brown, L, Byron, Campbell, E, Campbell, K, Chestek, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Erickson, Filer, Fornstrom, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Hoeft, Jarvis, Johnson, Knapp, Larsen, L, Larson, Jt, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Nicholas, Ottman, Pendergraft, Posey, Provenza, Riggins, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Sherwood, Singh, Smith, Storer, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Thayer, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams, Winter, Wylie, Yin

**Excused:** Representative Kelly

**Ayes** 61      **Nays** 0      **Excused** 1      **Absent** 0      **Conflicts** 0

2/23/2026 S Received for Introduction  
2/23/2026 S Introduced and Referred to S08 - Transportation  
2/24/2026 S08 - Transportation:Recommend Do Pass 4-0-1-0-0

#### ROLL CALL

**Ayes:** Senator(s) Barlow, Cooper, Kolb, Pappas

**Excused:** Senator Anderson

**Ayes** 4      **Nays** 0      **Excused** 1      **Absent** 0      **Conflicts** 0

2/24/2026 S Placed on General File  
2/25/2026 S COW:Passed  
2/26/2026 S 2nd Reading:Passed  
2/27/2026 S 3rd Reading:Passed 29-2-0-0-0

#### ROLL CALL

**Ayes:** Senator(s) Anderson, Barlow, Biteman, Boner, Brennan, Cooper, Crago, Crum, Dockstader, Driskill, French, Gierau, Hicks, Hutchings, Jones, Kolb, Landen, Laursen, Love, Mckeown, Nethercott, Olsen, Pappas, Pearson, Rothfuss, Salazar, Schuler, Scott, Steinmetz

**Nays:** Senator(s) Case, Ide

**Ayes** 29      **Nays** 2      **Excused** 0      **Absent** 0      **Conflicts** 0

2/27/2026 Assigned Number HEA No. 0009  
2/27/2026 H Speaker Signed HEA No. 0009  
3/2/2026 S President Signed HEA No. 0009  
3/5/2026 Governor Signed HEA No. 0009  
3/5/2026 Assigned Chapter Number 38

