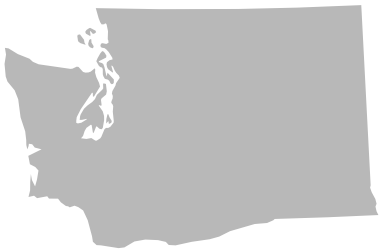
Washington state bird: the American Goldfinch

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WASHINGTON STATE BIRD

American Goldfinch

Spinus tristis

SINCE 1951

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FIVE QUICK FACTS

Approved: March 19, 1951 (Senate Bill 318, Laws 1951, chapter 249)

Law today: RCW 1.20.040

State flower: Coast rhododendron (1959)

State animal: None; two state mammals, the orca (2005) and the Olympic marmot (2009)

In the law: "the willow goldfinch"

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