

CHAPTER 164

HOUSE BILL No. 2660

AN ACT relating to vehicles; concerning the registration thereof; providing for certain distinctive license plates; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-126, 8-145d, 8-197, 8-1,141 and 8-1,147 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2012, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks registered for a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, who is a resident of Kansas, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one Boy Scouts of America license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. In addition to the license plate, a person issued such a license plate may request a decal for the order of the arrow, wood badge, God and country award and eagle scout for each license plate. Such license plates shall be issued for the same time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and the presentation of the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b).

(b) A Boy Scouts of America council may authorize the use of their logo to be affixed on license plates or any decal as provided by this section. Any royalty payment received pursuant to this section shall be paid to the Boy Scouts of America and shall be used to support the Boy Scouts of America. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee annually may apply to the Boy Scouts of America for the use of such logo. Upon annual application and payment to the Boy Scouts of America in an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 as a logo use royalty payment for each license plate and decal to be issued, the Boy Scouts of America shall issue to the motor vehicle owner or lessee, without further charge, a logo use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time of registration.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such plates not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for such license plates shall provide the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b). Application for registration of a passenger vehicle or truck and issuance of the license plate under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

(d) No registration or license plate issued under this section shall be transferable to any other person.

(e) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant provides the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b). If such logo use authorization statement is not presented at the time of registration, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(f) The Boy Scouts of America councils shall:

(1) Pay the initial cost of silk-screening for license plates authorized by this section; and

(2) provide to all county treasurers a toll-free telephone number where applicants can call the Boy Scouts of America councils for information concerning the application process or the status of their license plate application.

(g) The Boy Scouts of America councils, with the approval of the director of vehicles and subject to the availability of materials and equipment, shall design a plate and decals to be issued under the provisions of this section.

(h) A fee of \$2 shall be paid for each decal issued under this section. Such decals shall be affixed to the license plate in the location required by the director.

New Sec. 2. (a) On and after January 1, 2012, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000

pounds or less or motorcycles, who is a resident of the state of Kansas, and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, that such person is a veteran of the Vietnam war, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle designating such person as a veteran of the Vietnam war. Such license plates shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto.

(b) Any person who is a veteran of the Vietnam war may make application for such distinctive license plates, not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for the distinctive license plates shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a veteran of the Vietnam war. Application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle and issuance of the license plates under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plates issued under the authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.

(d) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant has filed with the director a form as provided in subsection (b). If such form is not filed, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the distinctive license plates to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

New Sec. 3. (a) On and after January 1, 2012, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks registered for a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less or motorcycles, who is a resident of Kansas, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one I'm pet friendly license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle. Such license plates shall be issued for the same time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and the presentation of the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b).

(b) The college of veterinary medicine at Kansas state university may authorize the use of their I'm pet friendly logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section. Any royalty payment received pursuant to this section shall be paid to the college of veterinary medicine at Kansas state university and shall be used to support education regarding the spaying and neutering of dogs and cats in Kansas and veterinary student externships at animal shelters in Kansas. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee annually may apply to the college of veterinary medicine at Kansas state university for the use of such logo. Upon annual application and payment to the college of veterinary medicine at Kansas state university in an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 as a logo use royalty payment for each license plate to be issued, the college of veterinary medicine at Kansas state university shall issue to the motor vehicle owner or lessee, without further charge, a logo use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time of registration.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such plates not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for such license plates shall provide the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b). Application for registration of a passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle and issuance of the license plate under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

(d) No registration or license plate issued under this section shall be transferable to any other person.

(e) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in the man-

ner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant provides the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b). If such logo use authorization statement is not presented at the time of registration, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(f) The college of veterinary medicine at Kansas state university shall:

(1) Pay the initial cost of silk-screening for license plates authorized by this section; and

(2) provide to all the county treasurers a toll-free number where applicants can call the college of veterinary medicine at Kansas state university for information concerning the application process or the status of their license plate application.

(g) The college of veterinary medicine at Kansas state university, with approval of the director of vehicles and subject to the availability of materials and equipment, shall design a plate to be issued under the provisions of this section.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-126 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-126. The following words and phrases when used in this act shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them herein:

(a) "Vehicle" means every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a public highway, excepting electric personal assistive mobility devices or devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

(b) "Motor vehicle" means every vehicle, other than a motorized bicycle or a motorized wheelchair, which is self-propelled.

(c) "Truck" means a motor vehicle which is used for the transportation or delivery of freight and merchandise or more than 10 passengers.

(d) "Motorcycle" means every motor vehicle designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, except any such vehicle as may be included within the term "tractor" as herein defined.

(e) "Truck tractor" means every motor vehicle designed and used primarily for drawing other vehicles, and not so constructed as to carry a load other than a part of the weight of the vehicle or load so drawn.

(f) "Farm tractor" means every motor vehicle designed and used as a farm implement power unit operated with or without other attached farm implements in any manner consistent with the structural design of such power unit.

(g) "Road tractor" means every motor vehicle designed and used for drawing other vehicles, and not so constructed as to carry any load thereon independently, or any part of the weight of a vehicle or load so drawn.

(h) "Trailer" means every vehicle without motive power designed to carry property or passengers wholly on its own structure and to be drawn by a motor vehicle.

(i) "Semitrailer" means every vehicle of the trailer type so designed and used in conjunction with a motor vehicle that some part of its own weight and that of its own load rests upon or is carried by another vehicle.

(j) "Pole trailer" means any two-wheel vehicle used as a trailer with bolsters that support the load, and do not have a rack or body extending to the tractor drawing the load.

(k) "Specially constructed vehicle" means any vehicle which shall not have been originally constructed under a distinctive name, make, model or type, or which, if originally otherwise constructed shall have been materially altered by the removal of essential parts, or by the addition or substitution of essential parts, new or used, derived from other vehicles or makes of vehicles.

(l) "Foreign vehicle" means every motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer which shall be brought into this state otherwise than in ordinary course of business by or through a manufacturer or dealer and which has not been registered in this state.

(m) "Person" means every natural person, firm, partnership, association or corporation.

(n) "Owner" means a person who holds the legal title of a vehicle, or in the event a vehicle is the subject of an agreement for the conditional sale thereof with the right of purchase upon performance of the conditions stated in the agreement and with an immediate right of possession vested in the conditional vendee or in the event a vehicle is subject to a

lease of 30 days or more with an immediate right of possession vested in the lessee; or in the event a party having a security interest in a vehicle is entitled to possession, then such conditional vendee or lessee or secured party shall be deemed the owner for the purpose of this act.

(o) "Nonresident" means every person who is not a resident of this state.

(p) "Manufacturer" means every person engaged in the business of manufacturing motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailers.

(q) "New vehicle dealer" means every person actively engaged in the business of buying, selling or exchanging new motor vehicles, travel trailers, trailers or vehicles and who holds a dealer's contract therefor from a manufacturer or distributor and who has an established place of business in this state.

(r) "Used vehicle dealer" means every person actively engaged in the business of buying, selling or exchanging used vehicles, and having an established place of business in this state and who does not hold a dealer's contract for the sale of new motor vehicles, travel trailers, trailers or vehicles.

(s) "Highway" means every way or place of whatever nature open to the use of the public as a matter of right for the purpose of vehicular travel. The term "highway" shall not be deemed to include a roadway or driveway upon grounds owned by private owners, colleges, universities or other institutions.

(t) "Department" or "motor vehicle department" or "vehicle department" means the division of vehicles of the department of revenue, acting directly or through its duly authorized officers and agents. When acting on behalf of the department of revenue pursuant to this act, a county treasurer shall be deemed to be an agent of the state of Kansas.

(u) "Commission" or "state highway commission" means the director of vehicles of the department of revenue.

(v) "Division" means the division of vehicles of the department of revenue.

(w) "Travel trailer" means every vehicle without motive power designed to be towed by a motor vehicle constructed primarily for recreational purposes.

(x) "Passenger vehicle" means every motor vehicle, as herein defined, which is designed primarily to carry 10 or fewer passengers, and which is not used as a truck.

(y) "Self-propelled farm implement" means every farm implement designed for specific use applications with its motive power unit permanently incorporated in its structural design.

(z) "Farm trailer" means every trailer as defined in subsection (h) of this section and every semitrailer as defined in subsection (i) of this section, designed and used primarily as a farm vehicle.

(aa) "Motorized bicycle" means every device having two tandem wheels or three wheels, which may be propelled by either human power or helper motor, or by both, and which has:

- (1) A motor which produces not more than 3.5 brake horsepower;
- (2) a cylinder capacity of not more than 130 cubic centimeters;
- (3) an automatic transmission; and
- (4) the capability of a maximum design speed of no more than 30 miles per hour.

(bb) "All-terrain vehicle" means any motorized nonhighway vehicle 50 inches or less in width, having a dry weight of 1,500 pounds or less, traveling on three or more nonhighway tires, having a seat designed to be straddled by the operator. As used in this subsection, nonhighway tire means any pneumatic tire six inches or more in width, designed for use on wheels with rim diameter of 14 inches or less.

(cc) "Implement of husbandry" means every vehicle designed or adapted and used exclusively for agricultural operations, including feed-lots, and only incidentally moved or operated upon the highways. Such term shall include, but not be limited to:

- (1) A farm tractor;
- (2) a self-propelled farm implement;
- (3) a fertilizer spreader, nurse tank or truck permanently mounted with a spreader used exclusively for dispensing or spreading water, dust or liquid fertilizers or agricultural chemicals, as defined in K.S.A. 2-2202, and amendments thereto, regardless of ownership;
- (4) a truck mounted with a fertilizer spreader used or manufactured

principally to spread animal dung;

(5) "mixer-feed truck" means a mixer-feed truck owned and used by a feedlot, as defined in K.S.A. 47-1501, and amendments thereto, and specially designed and used exclusively for dispensing food to livestock in such feedlot.

(dd) "Motorized wheelchair" means any self-propelled vehicle designed specifically for use by a physically disabled person that is incapable of a speed in excess of 15 miles per hour.

(ee) "Oil well servicing, oil well clean-out or oil well drilling machinery or equipment" means a vehicle constructed as a machine used exclusively for servicing, cleaning-out or drilling an oil well and consisting in general of a mast, an engine for power, a draw works and a chassis permanently constructed or assembled for one or more of those purposes. The passenger capacity of the cab of a vehicle shall not be considered in determining whether such vehicle is an oil well servicing, oil well clean-out or oil well drilling machinery or equipment.

(ff) "Electric personal assistive mobility device" means a self-balancing two nontandem wheeled device, designed to transport only one person, with an electric propulsion system that limits the maximum speed of the device to 15 miles per hour or less.

(gg) "Electronic certificate of title" means any electronic record of ownership, including any lien or liens that may be recorded, retained by the division in accordance with K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-135d, and amendments thereto.

(hh) "Work-site utility vehicle" means any motor vehicle which is not less than 48 inches in width, has an overall length, including the bumper, of not more than 135 inches, has an unladen weight, including fuel and fluids, of more than 800 pounds and is equipped with four or more low pressure tires, a steering wheel and bench or bucket-type seating allowing at least two people to sit side-by-side, and may be equipped with a bed or cargo box for hauling materials. "Work-site utility vehicle" does not include a micro utility truck or *recreational off-highway vehicle*.

(ii) "Micro utility truck" means any motor vehicle which is not less than 48 inches in width, has an overall length, including the bumper, of not more than 160 inches, has an unladen weight, including fuel and fluids, of more than 1,500 pounds, can exceed 40 miles per hour as originally manufactured and is manufactured with a metal cab. "Micro utility truck" does not include a work-site utility vehicle or *recreational off-highway vehicle*.

(jj) "Golf cart" means a motor vehicle that has not less than three wheels in contact with the ground, an unladen weight of not more than 1,800 pounds, is designed to be and is operated at not more than 25 miles per hour and is designed to carry not more than four persons including the driver.

(kk) "Recreational off-highway vehicle" means any motor vehicle 64 inches or less in width, having a dry weight of 2,000 pounds or less, traveling on four or more nonhighway tires, having a nonstraddle seat and steering wheel for steering control.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-145d is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-145d. In addition to the annual vehicle registration fees prescribed by K.S.A. 8-143, 8-143b, 8-143c, 8-143g, 8-143h, 8-143i, 8-167, 8-172 and 8-195, and amendments thereto, and K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-143l, and amendments thereto, any applicant for vehicle registration or renewal thereof for registration shall pay a service fee in the amount of \$5 to the county treasurer at the time of making such application. In addition to such service fee, the county treasurer may charge any applicant for vehicle registration or renewal thereof for registration, a ~~satellite~~ registration fee in an amount not to exceed \$5 per vehicle registration or renewal thereof for registration, when such application is made at a ~~satellite~~ registration facility in a county with multiple vehicle registration facilities as established by the county treasurer. Such registration fee shall not be charged at a registration facility located within the county courthouse or administrative office used as the primary location for the county treasurer's operations and if a registration facility is not located within such courthouse or such administrative office, then at least one of the registration facilities established by the county treasurer shall not charge such registration fee. The county treasurer shall deposit all amounts received under this section in the special fund created pursuant to K.S.A. 8-145, and amendments thereto, and such amounts shall be used by the county treasurer for all purposes for which such fund has been appropriated by law,

and such additional amounts are hereby appropriated as other amounts deposited in such fund.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-197 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-197. (a) The provisions of K.S.A. 8-197 to 8-199, inclusive, and amendments thereto, shall be a part of and supplemental to the provisions of article 1 of chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and as used in such sections, the words and phrases defined by K.S.A. 8-126, and amendments thereto, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them therein.

(b) As used in K.S.A. 8-197 through 8-199, and amendments thereto:

(1) (A) "Nonhighway vehicle" means:

(i) Any motor vehicle which cannot be registered because it is not manufactured for the purpose of using the same on the highways of this state and is not provided with the equipment required by state statute for vehicles of such type which are used on the highways of this state;

(ii) any motor vehicle, other than a salvage vehicle, for which the owner has not provided motor vehicle liability insurance coverage or an approved self insurance plan under K.S.A. 40-3104, and amendments thereto, and has not applied for or obtained registration of such motor vehicle in accordance with article 1 of chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated;

(iii) any all-terrain vehicle;

(iv) any work-site utility vehicle; ~~or~~

(v) any micro utility truck; *or*

(vi) *recreational off-highway vehicle*;

(B) "nonhighway vehicle" shall not include an implement of husbandry, as defined in K.S.A. 8-126, and amendments thereto.

(2) "salvage vehicle" means:

(A) Any motor vehicle, other than a late model vehicle, which is of a type required to be registered in this state, but which cannot be registered because it has been wrecked or damaged to the extent that: The equipment required by state statute on any such vehicle used on the highways of this state is not present or is not in good condition or proper adjustment, as prescribed by state statute or any rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, or such vehicle is in an inoperable condition or a condition that would render the operation thereof on the highways of this state a hazard to the public safety; and in either event, such vehicle would require substantial repairs to rebuild or restore such vehicle to a condition which will permit the registration thereof;

(B) a late model vehicle which is of a type required to be registered in this state and which has been wrecked or damaged to the extent that the total cost of repair is 75% or more of the fair market value of the motor vehicle immediately preceding the time it was wrecked or damaged and such condition was not merely exterior cosmetic damage to such vehicle as a result of windstorm or hail; or

(C) a motor vehicle, which is of a type required to be registered in this state that the insurer determines is a total loss and for which the insurer takes title;

(3) "salvage title" means a certificate of title issued by the division designating a motor vehicle a salvage vehicle;

(4) "rebuilt salvage vehicle" means any motor vehicle previously issued a salvage title;

(5) "rebuilt salvage title" means a certificate of title issued by the division for a vehicle previously designated a salvage vehicle which is now designated a rebuilt salvage vehicle;

(6) "late model vehicle" means any motor vehicle which has a manufacturer's model year designation of or later than the year in which the vehicle was wrecked or damaged or any of the six preceding years;

(7) "fair market value" means the retail value of a motor vehicle as:

(A) Set forth in a current edition of any nationally recognized compilation, including an automated database of retail value; *or*

(B) determined pursuant to a market survey of comparable vehicles with regard to condition and equipment;

(8) "cost of repairs" means the estimated or actual retail cost of parts needed to repair a vehicle plus the cost of labor computed by using the hourly labor rate and time allocations for automobile repairs that are customary and reasonable. Retail costs of parts and labor rates may be based upon collision estimating manuals or electronic computer estimating systems customarily used in the automobile industry. The total cost

of repairs to rebuild or reconstruct the vehicle shall not include the cost of repairing, replacing or reinstalling tires, sound systems, or any sales tax on parts or materials to rebuild or reconstruct the vehicle.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-1,141 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,141. (a) Any new distinctive license plate authorized for issuance on and after July 1, 1994, shall be subject to the personalized license plate fee prescribed by subsection (c) of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto. This section shall not apply to any distinctive license plate authorized prior to July 1, 1994.

(b) The director of vehicles shall not issue any new distinctive license plate authorized for issuance on and after July 1, 1995, unless there is a guarantee of an initial issuance of at least 500 license plates.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to distinctive license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,145, or K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-177d or section 2, and amendments thereto.

(d) The provisions of subsection (a), shall not apply to distinctive license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,146 or 8-1,148, and amendments thereto, or K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-1,153, 8-1,158 or 8-1,161, and amendments thereto.

(e) The provisions of subsection (f) shall not apply to distinctive license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-1,160, and amendments thereto, except that the division shall delay the manufacturing and issuance of such distinctive license plate until the division has received not less than 1,000 orders for such plate, including payment of the personalized license plate fee required under subsection (a). Upon certification by the director of vehicles to the director of accounts and reports that not less than 1,000 paid orders for such plate have been received, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer \$40,000 from the state highway fund to the distinctive license plate fund.

(f) (1) Any person or organization sponsoring any distinctive license plate authorized by the legislature on and after July 1, 2004, shall submit to the division of vehicles a nonrefundable amount not to exceed \$20,000, to defray the division's cost for developing such distinctive license plate.

(2) All moneys received under this subsection shall be remitted by the secretary of revenue to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the distinctive license plate fund which is hereby created in the state treasury. All moneys credited to the distinctive license plate fund shall be used by the department of revenue only for the purpose associated with the development of distinctive license plates. All expenditures from the distinctive license plate application fee fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts, upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary of the department of revenue.

(g) (1) Except for educational institution license plates issued under K.S.A. 8-1,142, and amendments thereto, the director of vehicles shall discontinue the issuance of any distinctive license plate authorized prior to July 1, 2004, and which is subject to the provisions of subsection (b) if:

(A) Less than 500 license plates, including annual renewals, are issued for that distinctive license plate by July 1, 2006; and

(B) less than 250 license plates, including annual renewals, are issued for that distinctive license plate during any subsequent two-year period after July 1, 2006.

(2) The director of vehicles shall discontinue the issuance of any distinctive license plate authorized on and after July 1, 2004, if:

(A) Less than 500 plates, including annual renewals, are issued for that distinctive license plate by the end of the second year of sales; and

(B) less than 250 license plates, including annual renewals, are issued for that distinctive license plate during any subsequent two-year period.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-1,147 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,147. In the event of the death of any person issued distinctive license plates under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-161, 8-177a, 8-177c, 8-1,139, 8-1,140, 8-1,145, or 8-1,146 or K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-177d or section 2, and amendments thereto, the surviving spouse or other family member, if there is no surviving spouse, shall be entitled to possession of any such distinctive license plates. Such license plates shall not be displayed on any vehicle unless otherwise authorized by statute.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 8-126, 8-145d, 8-197, 8-1,141 and 8-1,147 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Approved May 27, 2010.
