

## HOUSE BILL No. 2631

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1 AN ACT concerning roads and highways; relating to tolls on turnpike  
2 projects; directing the Kansas turnpike authority to establish a toll  
3 exemption program for current members of the armed forces whose  
4 orders direct a permanent place of duty within Kansas.

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

7 Section 1. (a) The Kansas turnpike authority shall establish a toll  
8 exemption program for current members of the armed forces whose orders  
9 direct a permanent place of duty within Kansas. Such toll exemption  
10 program shall exempt current members of the armed forces whose orders  
11 direct a permanent place of duty within Kansas from all tolls associated  
12 with such person's passenger vehicle used on any turnpike project in  
13 Kansas where tolls are collected.

14 (b) The Kansas turnpike authority shall provide an application  
15 process for any interested current member of the armed forces whose  
16 orders direct a permanent place of duty within Kansas to participate in the  
17 toll exemption program established by this section. Upon completing an  
18 application and providing satisfactory proof to the Kansas turnpike  
19 authority that a person is a current member of the armed forces whose  
20 orders direct a permanent place of duty within Kansas, the Kansas turnpike  
21 authority shall authorize such person to register a vehicle that will be  
22 exempt from all tolls on any turnpike project. A current member of the  
23 armed forces whose orders direct a permanent place of duty within Kansas  
24 shall only be allowed to register one passenger vehicle for use on turnpike  
25 projects that will be subject to the toll exemption.

26 (c) The Kansas turnpike authority may adopt a concise set of rules  
27 and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

28 (d) As used in this section:

29 (1) "Current member of the armed forces" means a person who is  
30 currently serving in the army, navy, air force, coast guard, marine corps,  
31 space force or any branch of the military reserves of the United States or  
32 the Kansas national guard; and

33 (2) "satisfactory proof" means a copy of the permanent change of  
34 station orders for a current member of the armed forces indicating a

1 permanent place of duty in Kansas, the current member's common access  
2 card issued by the United States department of defense and current vehicle  
3 registration issued by any state, territory or federally recognized Indian  
4 tribe for the passenger vehicle that the current member wants to register in  
5 the toll exemption program.

6 (e) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to K.S.A. 68-2001  
7 et seq., and amendments thereto.

8 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
9 publication in the statute book.