

HOUSE BILL No. 2201

AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to license plates; providing for the FFA, route 66 association of Kansas and blackout distinctive license plates; allowing an applicant for a personalized license plate to be issued one such license plate instead of two; eliminating the requirement that applications for personalized license plates be made within 60 days from vehicle registration renewals; discontinuing the option for a person to display a second personalized license plate on the front of a vehicle; modifying current requirements for the design and issuance of license plate registration decals; modifying the documentation requirements for military veteran license plates to align with updated military veteran documentation standards; eliminating the requirement for applicants to submit military license plate applications 60 days prior to vehicle registration renewals; amending K.S.A. 8-132, 8-147, 8-1,146, 8-1,194, 8-1,195, 8-1,196, 8-1,197, 8-1,198 and 8-1,199 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 8-134 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, 2026, 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 FFA license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plate 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 payment to the county treasurer of the logo use royalty payment.

(b) The Kansas FFA foundation may authorize the use of the organization's logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee shall pay an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, as determined by the Kansas FFA foundation, as a logo use royalty payment for each such license plate to be issued. The logo use royalty payment shall be paid to the county treasurer.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such license plate 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 plate shall pay to the county treasurer the logo use royalty payment. 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) The director of vehicles may transfer a FFA license plate from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

(f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant provides to the county treasurer the annual royalty payment. If such annual royalty payment is not made to the county treasurer, the applicant shall be required to comply with the provisions of K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(g) The Kansas FFA foundation, with the approval of the director of vehicles, shall design a plate to be issued under the provisions of this section.

(h) As a condition of receiving the FFA license plate and any subsequent registration renewal of such license plate, the applicant shall consent to the division authorizing the division's release of motor vehicle record information, including the applicant's name, address, royalty payment amount, plate number and vehicle type to the Kansas FFA foundation and the state treasurer.

(i) The collection and remittance of annual royalty payments by the county treasurer shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,141(h), and amendments thereto.

New Sec. 2. (a) On and after January 1, 2026, 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 route 66 association of Kansas license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plate 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 payment to the county treasurer of the logo use royalty payment.

(b) Route 66 association of Kansas, inc., may authorize the use of the organization's logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee shall pay an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, as determined by route 66 association of Kansas, inc., as a logo use royalty payment for each such license plate to be issued. The logo use royalty payment shall be paid to the county treasurer.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such license plate 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 plate shall pay to the county treasurer the logo use royalty payment. 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) The director of vehicles may transfer a route 66 association of Kansas license plate from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

(f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant provides to the county treasurer the annual royalty payment. If such annual royalty payment is not made to the county treasurer, the applicant shall be required to comply with the provisions of K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(g) Route 66 association of Kansas, inc., with the approval of the director of vehicles, shall design a plate to be issued under the provisions of this section.

(h) As a condition of receiving the route 66 association of Kansas license plate and any subsequent registration renewal of such license plate, the applicant shall consent to the division authorizing the division's release of motor vehicle record information, including the applicant's name, address, royalty payment amount, plate number and vehicle type to Route 66 association of Kansas, inc., and the state treasurer.

(i) The collection and remittance of annual royalty payments by the county treasurer shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,141(h), and amendments thereto.

New Sec. 3. (a) On and after January 1, 2026, 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 blackout license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plate 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 applicant or renewal of registration for a blackout license plate authorized by this section shall pay an annual fee of \$50 to the county treasurer for each such license plate to be issued. Any new blackout license plate shall be subject to the fee prescribed in K.S.A. 8-1,141(a)(1), and amendments thereto. A blackout license plate may be a personalized license plate and subject to the personalized license plate

fee pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,141(a)(2), and amendments thereto.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such license plate on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles. 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) The director of vehicles may transfer a blackout license plate from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

(f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant has paid the fee provided in subsection (b). If such fee is not paid, such 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 applicant's residence.

(g) The blackout license plate shall have a background design, an emblem or colors that designate the license plate as a blackout license plate.

(h) There is hereby established in the state treasury the license plate replacement fund. The license plate replacement fund shall be administered by the secretary of revenue. Annual blackout license plate fees collected by county treasurers pursuant to this section shall be remitted 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 license plate replacement fund. All expenditures from such fund shall be for the costs associated with replacing license plates when the lifespan of such license plates has been exhausted as determined by the director of vehicles. All expenditures from such 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 revenue or the secretary's designee.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 8-132 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-132.

(a) Subject to the provisions of this section and K.S.A. 8-1,125, and amendments thereto, the division of vehicles shall furnish to every owner whose vehicle shall be registered one license plate for such vehicle. Such license plate shall have displayed on it the registration number assigned to the vehicle and to the owner thereof, the name of the state, which may be abbreviated, and the year or years for which it is issued. The same type of license plates shall be issued for passenger motor vehicles, rented without a driver, as are issued for private passenger vehicles.

(b) During calendar year 1975 commencing on the effective date of this act, and during every fifth calendar year thereafter, the division of vehicles shall furnish one license plate for any type of vehicle an owner registers or has the registration thereof renewed, but during the succeeding four-year period following calendar year 1975 and during the succeeding four-year period following every fifth calendar year subsequent to 1975, the division of vehicles shall not furnish any license plate for the renewal of a vehicle's registration. During calendar year 1976 and during each calendar year thereafter in which a license plate is not issued for the renewal of registration of a vehicle, the division of vehicles shall furnish one decal for the license plate issued for a vehicle as provided in K.S.A. 8-134, and amendments thereto, for each registration and renewal of registration of such vehicle. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subsection, whenever, in the discretion of the director of vehicles, it is determined that the license plates currently being issued and displayed are not deteriorating to the extent that their replacement is warranted, the director may adopt

rules and regulations to extend the five-year issuance cycle provided for in this subsection by one year at a time, and in the same manner the director may further extend such cycle by one year at a time, successively as the director determines appropriate. If the cycle is extended at the expiration of the extended term, new license plates shall again be issued in the manner and for the term provided in such rules and regulations, except that the owner of a motor vehicle currently registered may continue to display the license plate currently being issued and displayed for a period not to exceed three registration years from the date of the expiration of the extended term. The division shall furnish one decal for each such license plate in accordance with the provisions of this subsection.

(c) Any license plate issued pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) may be a personalized license plate subject to the additional fee set forth in subsection (d). The division shall allow an applicant for a personalized license plate to personalize a license plate design established by subsection (a), (b) or (d).

(d) ~~Two~~One personalized license ~~plates~~ plate may be issued to any owner or lessee of a passenger vehicle or a truck licensed for a gross weight of not more than 20,000 pounds; who makes proper application to the division of vehicles ~~not less than 60 days prior to such owner's or lessee's~~ at renewal of registration date. Such application shall be on a form prescribed by the division and accompanied by a fee of \$40, which shall be in addition to any other fee required to renew the registration of such passenger vehicle under the laws of this state. ~~One~~ Such personalized license plate shall be displayed on the rear of the vehicle ~~and, at the option of the owner or lessee, the other license plate may be displayed on the front of the vehicle, except that no registration decal shall be issued pursuant to K.S.A. 8-134, and amendments thereto, for any such license plate displayed on the front of such vehicle.~~ One personalized license plate may be issued to any owner of a motorcycle upon proper application in the same manner provided in this subsection for passenger vehicles and trucks. The \$40 fee shall be paid only once during the registration period for which such license plates were issued, and any subsequent renewals during the registration period shall be subject only to the registration fee prescribed by K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto. The division shall design distinctive, personalized license plates to be issued ~~which~~ that shall contain not more than seven letters or numbers on truck or passenger vehicle license plates and not more than five letters or numbers on motorcycle license plates, or a combination thereof, to be designated by the applicant in lieu of the letters and numbers required by K.S.A. 8-147, and amendments thereto, other than the letters required to designate the county in which such vehicle is registered. Unless the letters or numbers designated by the applicant have been assigned to another vehicle, or unless the letters or numbers designated by the applicant have a profane, vulgar, lewd or indecent meaning or connotation, as determined by the director of vehicles, the division shall assign such letters or numbers to the applicant's vehicle, and the letters or numbers, or combination thereof, so assigned shall be deemed the registration number of such vehicle. Subject to the foregoing provisions, all license plates issued under this section shall be manufactured in accordance with K.S.A. 8-147, and amendments thereto. Such license plates shall be issued for a registration period of five years commencing in 1985 and each five years thereafter.

(e) The secretary of revenue shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, including, without limitation, rules and regulations concerning: (1) The procedure for insuring that duplicate license plates are not issued throughout the state; (2) the procedure for reserving distinctive license plates for the purpose of obtaining the same on each annual renewal of registration; (3) the procedure for allowing the transfer of personalized license plates from one vehicle to another for which such license plates were originally issued, when the title to the original vehicle has not been transferred

and the name or names of the owner or owners listed on the titles to both vehicles are identical; and (4) procedures necessary to coordinate this act with other laws of this state governing registration of vehicles. The director of vehicles shall remit all moneys received by the division of vehicles under this section 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 state highway fund.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 8-134 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-134. (a) Every vehicle registration under this act shall expire December 31 of each year, except passenger vehicles and vehicles provided for in K.S.A. 8-134a, and amendments thereto. The registration of vehicles to which K.S.A. 8-134a, and amendments thereto, applies shall expire in 1982 and thereafter in accordance with the provisions of subsections (b) and (c). Registration of vehicles shall be renewed annually upon application by the owner and by payment of the fees required by law. Except vehicles subject to K.S.A. 8-134a, and amendments thereto, and passenger vehicles, the renewal shall take effect on January 1 of each year, but the owner of the vehicle shall have until and including the last day of February of each year to make application for such renewal. The division shall issue for such vehicles a February month decal to correspond with the statutory grace period. Criminal sanctions provided in K.S.A. 8-142, and amendments thereto, for failure to display any license plate or plates or any registration decal required to be affixed to any such license plate for the current registration year shall not be enforced until March 1 of each year. An owner who has made proper application for renewal of registration of a vehicle prior to January 1, but who has not received the license plate or registration card for the ensuing year, shall be entitled to operate or permit the operation of such vehicle upon the highways upon displaying thereon the license plate issued for the preceding year for such time as the director of vehicles finds necessary for issuance of such new license plate.

(b) Every passenger vehicle required by this act to be registered, except as otherwise provided, shall be registered for a period of 12 consecutive months. The division of vehicles, in order to initiate a system of registering or reregistering passenger vehicles during any month of a calendar year, may register or reregister a passenger vehicle for less than a 12-month period, prorating the annual registration fee, when in the director's opinion such proration tends to fulfill the purpose of the monthly registration system.

(c) Passenger vehicle registration, and the authority to legally operate, use or tow such vehicle on the highway shall expire at 12 midnight on the last day of the last month of the 12-month period for which such vehicle was registered, and the owner shall see that such vehicle is reregistered as required by this act. The director of vehicles shall designate the registration period for each passenger vehicle in order to as nearly as feasible equalize registration or reregistration within the 12 months of the year. Any vehicle after having once been registered shall upon reregistration, be registered for the same twelve-month period except when the certificate of title has been transferred as provided by law. In this case, the vehicle shall be registered by the division of vehicles in accordance with the system adopted.

(d) For the purpose of this act, hearses and electrically propelled vehicles shall be classified as passenger vehicles.

(e) Every owner who registers or reregisters a vehicle in a calendar year, and in any calendar year in which a license plate is not issued for the renewal of registration of such vehicle, shall be furnished by the division one decal for the license plate issued for such vehicle and required by K.S.A. 8-133, and amendments thereto, to be affixed to the rear of such vehicle. Such decal shall be affixed to the number plate affixed to the rear of such vehicle and ~~shall contain the letters designating the county in which such vehicle is registered, as provided~~

~~in K.S.A. 8-147, and amendments thereto,~~ shall indicate the license plate number for which the decal is to be affixed and shall indicate the year in which such registration expires. The color of a decal shall be such that it contrasts with the color of the license plate to which it is to be affixed, and the director of vehicles shall change the color of such decals each year, without duplicating the same color in any five-year period or such extended period as the director designates under K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. Such decals shall be so constructed that once a decal has been affixed to a license plate, it cannot be removed without destroying the decal, and the surface of such decals shall be capable of reflecting light. Consistent with the foregoing, the director of vehicles shall prescribe the size of and material to be used in the production of such decals, and the director of vehicles shall designate the location on a number plate where such decal shall be affixed.

(f) (1) The owner of a vehicle may, at the time of such registration or reregistration, purchase a park and recreation motor vehicle permit. Such permit shall cost \$15 until such time as the amount for such permit is changed by rules and regulations of the secretary of wildlife and parks.

(2) Such permit shall be nontransferable and shall expire on the date of expiration of the vehicle registration.

(3) Except as provided in subsection (f)(4), the county treasurer shall remit all such moneys paid to the county treasurer 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 and shall be credited as provided in K.S.A. 32-991, and amendments thereto.

(4) The county treasurer may collect and retain a service charge fee of up to \$.50 for each park and recreation motor vehicle permit issued or sold by the county treasurer.

(5) As a condition of receiving the park and recreation motor vehicle permit, the applicant shall consent to the sharing of information, including, but not limited to, the applicant's name, address, email address and phone number, with the secretary of wildlife and parks by the division of motor vehicles.

(g) The secretary of revenue shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to accomplish the purpose of this act.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 8-147 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-147.

(a) As used in this section, "license plate" means the plate used to externally evidence registration of a vehicle under chapter 8 of Kansas Statutes Annotated.

(b) Prior to November 1 of each year, the director of vehicles shall furnish the secretary of revenue with complete and detailed specifications for the manufacture of all license plates and registration decals, together with the number required for delivery in the succeeding year for use during the following year, ~~and~~. The state corporation commission shall furnish the secretary of revenue with complete and detailed specifications for the manufacture of identification tags together with the number required for delivery in the succeeding year for use in the following year. The secretary of revenue shall cause to be manufactured all license plates and registration decals and state corporation commission identification tags based on such specifications and estimates. For such purpose, the secretary of revenue shall enter into a contract for the manufacture of license plates, tags and decals with any organization or institution designated in K.S.A. 39-1208, and amendments thereto. Any such contract may provide that the secretary of revenue shall furnish or cause to be furnished the materials and supplies necessary for the manufacture and distribution of license plates, tags and decals if, in the opinion of the secretary of revenue, a reduction in the cost of manufacturing and distribution of the license plates, tags and decals under such contract will be achieved. Subject to the foregoing, the cost to the state for the manufacture of the license plates, tags and decals pursuant to any contract entered into under this

section shall be substantially equivalent to such costs under prior contracts, with the cost of license plates increased in the amount of the cost of coating with reflective material, but any such contract shall not be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3739, and amendments thereto.

(c) Except as authorized by other provisions of law, license plates, beginning in the year in which new license plates are issued pursuant to K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto, shall be lettered, numbered and designed as provided in this section. Each license plate shall contain a combination of three letters followed by a combination of three numerals, except that once all allowable combinations of letters and numerals have been used, each license plate shall contain an arrangement of numerals or letters, or both, as shall be assigned by the secretary of revenue. The arrangement of numerals and letters of license plates shall be uniform throughout each classification of registration. The secretary may provide for the arrangement of the numerals and letters in groups or otherwise and for other distinguishing marks on such license plates. The secretary of revenue shall design decals to be affixed to the license plates to identify ~~the county by two letters chosen from the name of the county distinctly indicative of the name of the county in which the vehicle is registered and the date registration is to expire~~ *expiration information consistent with K.S.A. 8-134, and amendments thereto.* The letters and numerals of such license plates shall be in such contrast of colors to the background of the license plate as to make such letters and numerals easily ~~read~~ *readable*.

(d) As new license plates are issued, the face of every license plate shall be completely coated with a reflective material. The reflectorized material shall be of such nature as to provide effective and dependable performance in the promotion of highway safety and vehicle identification throughout the service period for which the license plates are issued. The sum of \$.50 shall be added to the cost of each reflectorized license plate. The director shall change the color of such license plates every time new license plates are issued under ~~subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. The quantity of license plates and registration decals to be furnished each county shall be computed upon the basis of the number of motor vehicles registered and reregistered in such county for the preceding year, and additional license plates and decals shall be furnished as required.~~

(e) Any contract entered into pursuant to this section for the manufacture of license plates and decals shall provide that the license plates and decals, other than prorate license plates and prorate backing plates, shall be shipped directly to the treasurer of the county where they are to be used *or, for digitally fulfilled license plate orders, directly to the customer for whom the plate is issued.* Any such contract for the manufacture of state corporation commission identification tags shall provide that such tags shall be shipped directly to the state corporation commission.

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 8-1,146 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,146. (a) Any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, motorcycles or travel trailers, who is a resident of the state of Kansas; and submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles as provided in subsection (c) that such person ~~has proof of: (1) Having~~ *Has* served and is designated as a veteran, and ~~has had~~ *was discharged or released under an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions* from the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, space force or merchant marines; or (2) *is* currently serving in the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, space force or merchant marines, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck, motorcycle or travel trailer designating such person as an United States military veteran. Such license plate 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 issued a license plate under this section may request a decal for each license plate indicating the appropriate military branch in which the person served or is currently serving.

(c) Any person who is a veteran or current member of the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, space force or merchant marines may make application for such distinctive license plate, ~~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. Any applicant for the distinctive license plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a veteran or current member of the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, space force or merchant marines. As proof of military veteran status, an applicant ~~may~~ *shall* provide ~~a DD214 form, a DD form 2 (Retired) or a Kansas driver's license with a veteran designation pursuant to K.S.A. 8-243(e), and amendments thereto, or a copy of the veteran's DD form 214, NGB form 22 or an equivalent discharge document as permitted by the director of vehicles showing character of service as honorable or general under honorable conditions.~~ Application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck, motorcycle or travel trailer 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.

(d) No registration or distinctive license plates issued under the authority of 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 K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), 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 (c). 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.

(f) A fee of \$2 shall be paid for each decal issued under subsection (a). The director of vehicles shall design such decals. Such decals shall be affixed to the license plate in the location required by the director.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 8-1,194 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,194. (a) ~~On and after January 1, 2022;~~ 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 Kansas; ~~and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue as provided in K.S.A. 8-1,146, and amendments thereto,~~ that such person is currently serving in the United States army or ~~has separated~~ *was discharged or released* from the United States army ~~and was honorably discharged under an honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions,~~ 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 current member or veteran of the United States army. Such license plate 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 current member or veteran of the United States army may make application for such distinctive license plate, ~~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 plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a current member or veteran of the United States army. Application for the 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.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plate 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 K.S.A. 8-132(b), 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 plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(e) Upon satisfactory proof submitted to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, any person issued a license plate under this section may request that the license plate be printed to indicate that such person is a retired member of the United States army.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 8-1,195 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,195. (a) ~~On and after January 1, 2022,~~ 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 Kansas; ~~and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue as provided in K.S.A. 8-1,146, and amendments thereto,~~ that such person is currently serving in the United States navy or ~~has separated~~ *was discharged or released* from the United States navy ~~and was honorably discharged under an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions,~~ 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 current member or veteran of the United States navy. Such license plate 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 current member or veteran of the United States navy may make application for such distinctive license plate, ~~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 plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a current member or veteran of the United States navy. Application for the 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.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plate 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 K.S.A. 8-132(b), 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 plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(e) Upon satisfactory proof submitted to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, any person issued a license plate under this section may request that the license plate be printed to indicate that such person is a retired member of the United States navy.

Sec. 10. K.S.A. 8-1,196 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,196. (a) ~~On and after January 1, 2022,~~ 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 Kansas; ~~and who submits~~

satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, ~~in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue as provided in K.S.A. 8-1,146, and amendments thereto,~~ that such person is currently serving in the United States marine corps or ~~has separated was discharged or released~~ from the United States marine corps ~~and was honorably discharged under an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions,~~ 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 current member or veteran of the United States marine corps. Such license plate 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 current member or veteran of the United States marine corps may make application for such distinctive license plate, ~~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 plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a current member or veteran of the United States marine corps. Application for the 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.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plate 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 K.S.A. 8-132(b), 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 plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(e) Upon satisfactory proof submitted to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, any person issued a license plate under this section may request that the license plate be printed to indicate that such person is a retired member of the United States marine corps.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 8-1,197 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,197. (a) ~~On and after January 1, 2022,~~ 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 Kansas; ~~and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue as provided in K.S.A. 8-1,146, and amendments thereto,~~ that such person is currently serving in the United States air force or ~~has separated was discharged or released~~ from the United States air force ~~and was honorably discharged under an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions,~~ 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 current member or veteran of the United States air force. Such license plate 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 current member or veteran of the United States air force may make application for such distinctive license plate, ~~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 plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a current member or veteran of the United States air force. Application for the 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.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plate 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 K.S.A. 8-132(b), 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 plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(e) Upon satisfactory proof submitted to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, any person issued a license plate under this section may request that the license plate be printed to indicate that such person is a retired member of the United States air force.

Sec. 12. K.S.A. 8-1,198 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,198. (a) ~~On and after January 1, 2022;~~ 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 Kansas; ~~and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue as provided in K.S.A. 8-1,146, and amendments thereto,~~ that such person is currently serving in the United States coast guard or ~~has separated was discharged or released from the United States coast guard and was honorably discharged under an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions,~~ 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 current member or veteran of the United States coast guard. Such license plate 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 current member or veteran of the United States coast guard may make application for such distinctive license plate, ~~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 plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a current member or veteran of the United States coast guard. Application for the 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.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plate 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 K.S.A. 8-132(b), 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 plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(e) Upon satisfactory proof submitted to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, any person issued a license plate under this section may request that the license plate be printed to indicate that such person is a retired member of the United States coast guard.

Sec. 13. K.S.A. 8-1,199 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,199. (a) ~~On and after January 1, 2022;~~ 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 Kansas; and ~~who~~ submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, ~~in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue as provided in K.S.A. 8-1,146, and amendments thereto,~~ that such person is currently serving in the United States space force or ~~has separated was discharged or released from the United States space force and was honorably discharged under an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions,~~ 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 current member or veteran of the United States space force. Such license plate 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 current member or veteran of the United States space force may make application for such distinctive license plate, ~~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 plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a current member or veteran of the United States space force. Application for the 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.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plate 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 K.S.A. 8-132(b), 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 plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(e) Upon satisfactory proof submitted to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, any person issued a license plate under this section may request that the license plate be printed to indicate that such person is a retired member of the United States space force.

Sec. 14. K.S.A. 8-132, 8-147, 8-1,146, 8-1,194, 8-1,195, 8-1,196, 8-1,197, 8-1,198 and 8-1,199 and K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 8-134 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 15. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

HOUSE adopted
Conference Committee Report_____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Passed the SENATE
as amended _____

SENATE adopted
Conference Committee Report_____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

APPROVED _____

Governor.