

## **Extend Time To Title and Register a Vehicle; New Specialty License Plates; Allow County Treasurers To Accept Payment for License Plate Royalties; SB 300**

**SB 300** extends the time to provide title to and to register a vehicle, authorizes two new specialized license plates, and allows a county treasurer to accept royalties to be paid to sponsoring organizations for use of their logos on certain specialized license plates.

### ***Extend Time To Register a Purchased Vehicle***

The bill extends the time to provide title and to register a vehicle after it is purchased from 30 days to 60 days. Temporary registration permits issued by vehicle dealers or county treasurers will be valid for 60 days. The bill also extends deadlines from 30 days to 60 days for delivery and assignment of a vehicle's title.

### ***New Ducks Unlimited and Masonic Lodge Specialized License Plates***

The bill authorizes Ducks Unlimited license plates and Masonic Lodge license plates for passenger vehicles and small trucks, to be issued on and after January 1, 2013. Anyone who wishes to receive a Ducks Unlimited or Masonic Lodge license plate will pay a royalty amount of at least \$25 but not more than \$100 to Ducks Unlimited or to the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons (Grand Lodge) for use of the organization's logo before receiving such a plate, in addition to other license plate fees. Ducks Unlimited and the Grand Lodge are required to pay the initial costs of developing the license plates.

### ***County Treasurer Acceptance of Royalties for Certain Specialized License Plates***

As of January 1, 2013, the bill allows a county treasurer to accept royalties to be paid to sponsoring organizations for use of their logos on certain specialized license plates. The bill will allow this royalty payment option for Ducks Unlimited and Masonic Lodge license plates and amend statutes to make this type of change for these license plates (and benefiting this organization or fund):

- Any distinctive license plate issued after January 1, 2013, for which a royalty fee is to be paid;
- Educational institutions (including Kansas Board of Regents' institutions, any municipal university, certain not-for-profit independent institutions of higher education, any Kansas community college, and Haskell Indian Nations University) (paid to the institution's officially recognized alumni association or foundation);
- Children's Trust Fund (Family and Children Trust Account of the Family and Children Investment Fund);
- Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom (Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom);

- Shriners (Shrine Temple);
- Helping Schools (State Board of Education Helping Schools License Plate Program Fund);
- Breast Cancer Research and Outreach (University of Kansas Cancer Center);
- Support Kansas Arts (Kansas Arts Commission Special Gifts Fund);
- Boy Scouts of America (Boy Scouts of America); and
- I'm Pet Friendly (Kansas State University Veterinary Medical Center).

For the listed license plates already available and the new Ducks Unlimited and Masonic Lodge license plates, the bill allows the Director of Vehicles to transfer these license plates from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle and allows a county treasurer to accept a faxed emblem or logo use authorization statement.

The bill requires an applicant for one of these license plates to allow the Division of Vehicles to release certain motor vehicle record information (applicant's name, address, logo use royalty payment amount, plate number, school district, and vehicle type) to the organization to which the royalty payment is to be made and to the State Treasurer.

The bill creates these funds in the state treasury to receive royalty payments for use of emblems or logos:

- Educational Institutions Emblem Royalty Fund to receive royalties for educational institutions which are not state educational institutions (e.g., Washburn University) (fees for state educational institutions will be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the appropriate account of the restricted fees fund of such state educational institution);
- Agriculture in the Classroom Royalty Fund;
- Shriner's Royalty Fund;
- Breast Cancer Research Royalty Fund; and
- Boy Scouts of America Royalty Fund.

The State Treasurer will credit royalty payments received for distinctive license plates issued after January 1, 2013, into a segregated royalty fund, with payments to be made to the entity benefiting from the plate's issuance.

The bill also removes or replaces outdated language and makes technical corrections in license plate statutes.