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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 301, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to special license plates.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 301, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 301.480, to read as follows:

301.480. 1. Any Indian, Native American or member of an Indian tribe recognized by the United States as defined in 25 U.S.C. section 479, or successor acts, may receive special license plates as prescribed in this section, for issuance either to passenger motor vehicles subject to the registration fees provided in section 301.055, or for a local or nonlocal property-carrying commercial motor vehicle licensed for a gross weight not in excess of twelve thousand pounds as provided in section 301.057 or 301.058. Any such person shall make an application for the special license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and provide such proof of Indian ancestry or tribal membership as the director may require.

2. Upon payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the regular registration fees, and presentation of other documents which may be required by law, the director or revenue shall issue a specialized plate, which shall bear the words "NATIVE AMERICAN" in place of the words "SHOW-ME-STATE" to the person. Such license plate shall also bear the name of the specific Indian tribe in which the applicant is a member. Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130.

3. No more than one set of Native American plates shall be issued to a qualified applicant. License plates issued under the provisions of this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the motor

vehicle shall be entitled to operate the motor vehicle with such plates for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.

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