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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 301.4000, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to specialized license plates.

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

Section A. Section 301.4000, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 301.3999 and 301.4000, to read as follows:

301.3999. 1. Any person who served in the active military service in a branch of the armed services of the United States and was honorably discharged from such service may apply for special license plates for any vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight. Any such person shall make application for the special license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof of service and status as an honorably discharged veteran as the director may require.

2. Upon presentation of proof of eligibility and payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the regular registration fees, and presentation of any documents which may be required by law, the director shall issue to the vehicle owner a special license plate bearing letters or numbers or a combination thereof as determined by the director, with the words "U.S. VET" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

and design, shall be clearly visible at night, shall have a reflective white background with a blue and red configuration in the area of the plate configuration, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for the personalization of license plates pursuant to this section.

3. No more than one set of special license plates shall be issued pursuant to this section to a qualified applicant. License plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the vehicle may operate the vehicle for the duration of the registration in the event of the death of the qualified person. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and regulations for the enforcement of this section, and shall design all necessary forms required by this section.

301.4000. Any person who served in the active military service in a branch of the armed forces of the United States [during a period of war] and was honorably discharged from such service may apply for special motorcycle license plates, either solely or jointly, for issuance for any motorcycle subject to the registration fees provided in section 301.055. Any such person shall make application for the special license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof of [service in a foreign war and] status as an honorably discharged veteran as the director may require. Upon presentation of the proof of eligibility and payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the registration fees, and presentation of other documents which may be required by law, the director shall then issue license plates bearing letters or numbers or a combination thereof as determined by the director, with the words "U.S. VET" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". The plates shall be clearly visible at night and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. No more than one set of special license plates shall be issued pursuant to this section to a qualified applicant. License plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the motorcycle may operate the motorcycle for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.