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95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Transportation, February 18, 2010, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 301, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections 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 three new
2 sections, to be known as sections 301.477, 301.3158, and 301.3160, to read as
3 follows:

**301.477. 1. Any person who has been awarded the combat action
2 badge may apply for special personalized motor vehicle license plates
3 for any vehicle the person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an
4 apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in
5 excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight.**

**6 2. Any such person shall make application for the special license
7 plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such
8 proof as a recipient of the combat action badge as the director may
9 require.**

**10 3. The director shall then issue license plates bearing the words
11 "COMBAT ACTION" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE" in a form
12 prescribed by the director, except that such license plates shall be
13 made with fully reflective material, shall have a white background with
14 a blue and red configuration at the discretion of the director, shall be
15 clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as
16 prescribed by section 301.130. Such plates shall also bear an image of
17 the combat action badge.**

18 4. There shall be an additional fee charged for each set of special

19 **combat action badge license plates issued equal to the fee charged for**
20 **personalized license plates in section 301.144.**

21 **5. There shall be no limit on the number of license plates any**
22 **person qualified under this section may obtain so long as each set of**
23 **license plates issued under this section is issued for vehicles owned**
24 **solely or jointly by such person.**

25 **6. License plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section**
26 **shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered**
27 **co-owner of the motor vehicle shall be entitled to operate the motor**
28 **vehicle with such plates for the duration of the year licensed in the**
29 **event of the death of the qualified person.**

301.3158. Any person who has been awarded the military service
2 **award known as the legion of merit medal may apply for special motor**
3 **vehicle license plates for any vehicle such person owns, either solely or**
4 **jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor**
5 **vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross**
6 **weight. Any such person shall make application for the special license**
7 **plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such**
8 **proof as a recipient of the legion of merit medal as the director may**
9 **require. The director shall then issue license plates bearing letters or**
10 **numbers or a combination thereof as determined by the advisory**
11 **committee established in section 301.129, with the words "LEGION OF**
12 **MERIT" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such license plates**
13 **shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color**
14 **scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be**
15 **aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. Such plates**
16 **shall also bear an image of the legion of merit medal. There shall be an**
17 **additional fee charged for each set of legion of merit license plates**
18 **issued under this section equal to the fee charged for personalized**
19 **license plates. There shall be no limit on the number of license plates**
20 **any person qualified under this section may obtain so long as each set**
21 **of license plates issued under this section is issued for vehicles owned**
22 **solely or jointly by such person. License plates issued under the**
23 **provisions of this section shall not be transferable to any other person**
24 **except that any registered co-owner of the motor vehicle shall be**
25 **entitled to operate the motor vehicle with such plates for the duration**
26 **of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.**

301.3160. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
2 contrary, any person, after an annual payment of an emblem-use fee to
3 the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, may receive special
4 personalized license plates for any vehicle the person owns, either
5 solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a
6 commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand
7 pounds gross weight. The National Multiple Sclerosis Society hereby
8 authorizes the use of its official emblem to be affixed on multi-year
9 personalized license plates as provided in this section. Any
10 contribution to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society derived from
11 this section, except reasonable administrative costs, shall be used solely
12 for the purposes of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Any vehicle
13 owner may annually apply for the use of the emblem.

14 2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five dollar
15 emblem-use contribution to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, the
16 National Multiple Sclerosis Society shall issue to the vehicle owner,
17 without further charge, an emblem-use authorization statement, which
18 shall be presented by the vehicle owner to the director of revenue at
19 the time of registration. Upon presentation of the annual statement
20 and payment of a twenty-five dollar fee in addition to the regular
21 registration fees, and presentation of any documents which may be
22 required by law, the director of revenue shall issue to the vehicle
23 owner a special license plate which shall bear the emblem of the
24 National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Such license plates shall be made
25 with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design,
26 shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as
27 prescribed by section 301.130. In addition, upon such set of license
28 plates shall be inscribed, in lieu of the words "SHOW-ME STATE", the
29 words "JOIN THE MOVEMENT". Notwithstanding the provisions of
30 section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for the
31 personalization of license plates issued pursuant to this section.

32 3. A vehicle owner who was previously issued a plate with the
33 National Multiple Sclerosis Society's emblem authorized by this section,
34 but who does not provide an emblem-use authorization statement at a
35 subsequent time of registration, shall be issued a new plate which does
36 not bear the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's emblem, as otherwise
37 provided by law. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules

38 and regulations for the enforcement of this section, and shall design all
39 necessary forms required by this section.

40 4. Prior to the issuance of a National Multiple Sclerosis Society's
41 specialty plate authorized under this section the department of revenue
42 must be in receipt of an application, as prescribed by the director,
43 which shall be accompanied by a list of at least two hundred potential
44 applicants who plan to purchase the specialty plate, the proposed art
45 design for the specialty license plate, and an application fee, not to
46 exceed five thousand dollars, to defray the department's cost for
47 issuing, developing, and programming the implementation of the
48 specialty plate. Once the plate design is approved, the director of
49 revenue shall not authorize the manufacture of the material to produce
50 such specialized license plates with the individual seal, logo, or emblem
51 until such time as the director has received two hundred applications,
52 the twenty-five dollar specialty plate fee per application, and
53 emblem-use statements, if applicable, and other required documents or
54 fees for such plates.

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