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AN ACT

To repeal sections 136.055, 301.130, 301.3142, 301.3150, 301.3154, 307.350, 307.353, 307.355, and 643.315, RSMo, section 301.147 as enacted by conference committee substitute for house committee substitute for senate substitute for senate bill no. 470 merged with conference committee substitute for house committee substitute for senate bill no. 568, ninety-sixth general assembly, second regular session, section 301.147 as enacted by senate bill no. 54, ninety-second regular session, first regular session, and to enact in lieu thereof ten new sections relating to the registration of motor vehicles, with an effective date.

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

Section A. Sections 136.055, 301.130, 301.3142, 301.3150, 301.3154,

- 2 307.350, 307.353, 307.355, and 643.315, RSMo, section 301.147 as enacted by
- 3 conference committee substitute for house committee substitute for senate
- 4 substitute for senate bill no. 470 merged with conference committee substitute for
- 5 house committee substitute for senate bill no. 568, ninety-sixth general assembly,
- 6 second regular session, and section 301.147 as enacted by senate bill no. 54,
- 7 ninety-second regular session, first regular session, are repealed and ten new
- 8 sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 136.055, 301.130,
- 9 301.147, 301.3142, 301.3150, 301.3154, 307.350, 307.353, 307.355, and 643.315,
- 10 to read as follows:

136.055. 1. Any person who is selected or appointed by the state director

- 2 of revenue as provided in subsection 2 of this section to act as an agent of the
- 3 department of revenue, whose duties shall be the processing of motor vehicle title
- 4 and registration transactions and the collection of sales and use taxes when

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

- required under sections 144.070 and 144.440, and who receives no salary from the
- department of revenue, shall be authorized to collect from the party requiring
- such services additional fees as compensation in full and for all services rendered
- on the following basis: 8
- 9 (1) For each motor vehicle or trailer registration issued, renewed or transferred--three dollars and fifty cents and [seven] ten dollars and fifty cents 10 for those licenses sold or [biennially] triennially renewed pursuant to section 11
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- (2) For each application or transfer of title--two dollars and fifty cents;
- 14 (3) For each instruction permit, nondriver license, chauffeur's, operator's 15 or driver's license issued for a period of three years or less--two dollars and fifty 16 cents and five dollars for licenses or instruction permits issued or renewed for a 17 period exceeding three years;
 - (4) For each notice of lien processed--two dollars and fifty cents;
- 19 (5) No notary fee or other fee or additional charge shall be paid or collected except for electronic telephone transmission reception--two dollars. 20
- 2. The director of revenue shall award fee office contracts under this 22 section through a competitive bidding process. The competitive bidding process 23 shall give priority to organizations and entities that are exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and political subdivisions, including but not limited to, municipalities, 26 counties, and fire protection districts. The director of the department of revenue may promulgate rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of 28 this subsection. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 29 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this subsection shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of 30 chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are 31 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant 32 to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking 34 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2009, shall be invalid and void.
- 37 3. All fees collected by a tax-exempt organization may be retained and 38 used by the organization.
- 39 4. All fees charged shall not exceed those in this section. The fees 40 imposed by this section shall be collected by all permanent offices and all

- 41 full-time or temporary offices maintained by the department of revenue.
- 5. Any person acting as agent of the department of revenue for the sale and issuance of registrations, licenses, and other documents related to motor vehicles shall have an insurable interest in all license plates, licenses, tabs, forms and other documents held on behalf of the department.
- 6. The fees authorized by this section shall not be collected by motor vehicle dealers acting as agents of the department of revenue under section 32.095 or those motor vehicle dealers authorized to collect and remit sales tax under subsection 8 of section 144.070.
- 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the state auditor may audit all records maintained and established by the fee office in the same manner as the auditor may audit any agency of the state, and the department shall ensure that this audit requirement is a necessary condition for the award of all fee office contracts. No confidential records shall be divulged in such a way to reveal personally identifiable information.
- 301.130. 1. The director of revenue, upon receipt of a proper application for registration, required fees and any other information which may be required by law, shall issue to the applicant a certificate of registration in such manner and form as the director of revenue may prescribe and a set of license plates, or other evidence of registration, as provided by this section. Each set of license plates shall bear the name or abbreviated name of this state, the words "SHOW-ME STATE", the month and year in which the registration shall expire, and an arrangement of numbers or letters, or both, as shall be assigned from year to year by the director of revenue. The plates shall also contain fully reflective 10 material with a common color scheme and design for each type of license plate issued pursuant to this chapter. The plates shall be clearly visible at night, and 11 shall be aesthetically attractive. Special plates for qualified disabled veterans 12 will have the "DISABLED VETERAN" wording on the license plates in preference 13 to the words "SHOW-ME STATE" and special plates for members of the National Guard will have the "NATIONAL GUARD" wording in preference to the words 15 "SHOW-ME STATE". 16
- 2. The arrangement of letters and numbers of license plates shall be uniform throughout each classification of registration. The director may provide for the arrangement of the numbers in groups or otherwise, and for other distinguishing marks on the plates.

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gross weight in excess of twelve thousand pounds, all passenger-carrying commercial motor vehicles, local transit buses, school buses, trailers, semitrailers, motorcycles, motorcycles, motorscooters and driveaway vehicles shall be registered with the director of revenue as provided for in subsection 3 of section 301.030, or with the state highways and transportation commission as otherwise provided in this chapter, but only one license plate shall be issued for each such vehicle.

- 4. The plates issued to manufacturers and dealers shall bear the letters and numbers as prescribed by section 301.560, and the director may place upon the plates other letters or marks to distinguish commercial motor vehicles and trailers and other types of motor vehicles.
- 33 5. No motor vehicle or trailer shall be operated on any highway of this 34 state unless it shall have displayed thereon the license plate or set of license plates issued by the director of revenue or the state highways and transportation 35 36 commission and authorized by section 301.140. Each such plate shall be securely fastened to the motor vehicle or trailer in a manner so that all parts thereof shall 37 38 be plainly visible and reasonably clean so that the reflective qualities thereof are 39 not impaired. Each such plate may be encased in a transparent cover so long as 40 the plate is plainly visible and its reflective qualities are not impaired. License plates shall be fastened to all motor vehicles except trucks, tractors, truck 41 42tractors or truck-tractors licensed in excess of twelve thousand pounds on the front and rear of such vehicles not less than eight nor more than forty-eight 43 inches above the ground, with the letters and numbers thereon right side up. The 44 license plates on trailers, motorcycles, motortricycles and motorscooters shall be 45 displayed on the rear of such vehicles, with the letters and numbers thereon right 46 side up. The license plate on buses, other than school buses, and on trucks, 47 tractors, truck tractors or truck-tractors licensed in excess of twelve thousand 48 pounds shall be displayed on the front of such vehicles not less than eight nor 49 more than forty-eight inches above the ground, with the letters and numbers 50 thereon right side up or if two plates are issued for the vehicle pursuant to 51 52 subsection 3 of this section, displayed in the same manner on the front and rear of such vehicles. The license plate or plates authorized by section 301.140, when 53 properly attached, shall be prima facie evidence that the required fees have been 55 paid.
 - 6. (1) The director of revenue shall issue annually or [biennially] triennially a tab or set of tabs as provided by law as evidence of the annual

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payment of registration fees and the current registration of a vehicle in lieu of the set of plates. Beginning January 1, 2010, the director may prescribe any additional information recorded on the tab or tabs to ensure that the tab or tabs positively correlate with the license plate or plates issued by the department of revenue for such vehicle. Such tabs shall be produced in each license bureau office.

- (2) The vehicle owner to whom a tab or set of tabs is issued shall affix and display such tab or tabs in the designated area of the license plate, no more than one per plate.
- (3) A tab or set of tabs issued by the director of revenue when attached to a vehicle in the prescribed manner shall be prima facie evidence that the registration fee for such vehicle has been paid.
- (4) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the director of revenue shall issue plates for a period of at least six years.
- (5) For those commercial motor vehicles and trailers registered pursuant to section 301.041, the plate issued by the highways and transportation commission shall be a permanent nonexpiring license plate for which no tabs shall be issued. Nothing in this section shall relieve the owner of any vehicle permanently registered pursuant to this section from the obligation to pay the annual registration fee due for the vehicle. The permanent nonexpiring license plate shall be returned to the highways and transportation commission upon the sale or disposal of the vehicle by the owner to whom the permanent nonexpiring license plate is issued, or the plate may be transferred to a replacement commercial motor vehicle when the owner files a supplemental application with the Missouri highways and transportation commission for the registration of such replacement commercial motor vehicle. Upon payment of the annual registration fee, the highways and transportation commission shall issue a certificate of registration or other suitable evidence of payment of the annual fee, and such evidence of payment shall be carried at all times in the vehicle for which it is issued.
- (6) Upon the sale or disposal of any vehicle permanently registered under this section, or upon the termination of a lease of any such vehicle, the permanent nonexpiring plate issued for such vehicle shall be returned to the highways and transportation commission and shall not be valid for operation of such vehicle, or the plate may be transferred to a replacement vehicle when the owner files a supplemental application with the Missouri highways and transportation

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94 commission for the registration of such replacement vehicle. If a vehicle which is permanently registered under this section is sold, wrecked or otherwise 96 disposed of, or the lease terminated, the registrant shall be given credit for any unused portion of the annual registration fee when the vehicle is replaced by the 97 98 purchase or lease of another vehicle during the registration year.

- 7. The director of revenue and the highways and transportation commission may prescribe rules and regulations for the effective administration of this section. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated under the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of section 536.024.
- 8. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, owners of motor vehicles other than apportioned motor vehicles or commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight may apply for special personalized license plates. Vehicles licensed for eighteen thousand pounds that display special personalized license plates shall be subject to the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of section 301.030.
- 9. No later than January 1, 2009, the director of revenue shall commence the reissuance of new license plates of such design as directed by the director consistent with the terms, conditions, and provisions of this section and this 113 chapter. Except as otherwise provided in this section, in addition to all other fees required by law, applicants for registration of vehicles with license plates that expire during the period of reissuance, applicants for registration of trailers or 116 semitrailers with license plates that expire during the period of reissuance and applicants for registration of vehicles that are to be issued new license plates 118 during the period of reissuance shall pay the cost of the plates required by this subsection. The additional cost prescribed in this subsection shall not be charged 119 to persons receiving special license plates issued under section 301.073 or 120 301.443. Historic motor vehicle license plates registered pursuant to section 301.131 and specialized license plates are exempt from the provisions of this 123 subsection. Except for new, replacement, and transfer applications, permanent nonexpiring license plates issued to commercial motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 301.041 are exempt from the provisions of this subsection.

[301.147. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.020 to the contrary, beginning July 1, 2000, the director of revenue may provide owners of motor vehicles, other than

commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of fifty-four thousand pounds gross weight, the option of biennially registering motor vehicles. Any vehicle manufactured as an even-numbered model year vehicle shall be renewed each even-numbered calendar year and any such vehicle manufactured as an odd-numbered model year vehicle shall be renewed each odd-numbered calendar year, subject to the following requirements:

- (1) The fee collected at the time of biennial registration shall include the annual registration fee plus a pro rata amount for the additional twelve months of the biennial registration;
- (2) Presentation of all documentation otherwise required by law for vehicle registration including, but not limited to, a personal property tax receipt or certified statement for the preceding year that no such taxes were due as set forth in section 301.025, proof of a motor vehicle safety inspection and any applicable emission inspection conducted within sixty days prior to the date of application and proof of insurance as required by section 303.026.
- 2. The director of revenue may prescribe rules and regulations for the effective administration of this section. The director is authorized to adopt those rules that are reasonable and necessary to accomplish the limited duties specifically delegated within this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is promulgated pursuant to the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after July 1, 2000, shall be invalid and void.
- 3. The director of revenue shall have the authority to stagger the registration period of motor vehicles other than commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of twelve thousand pounds gross weight. Once the owner of a motor vehicle chooses the option of biennial registration, such registration must be

40 maintained for the full twenty-four month period.]

301.147. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.020 to the contrary, beginning July 1, [2000] 2014, the director of revenue may provide owners of motor vehicles, other than commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of twelve thousand pounds gross weight, the option of [biennially] triennially registering motor vehicles. Any vehicle manufactured as an even-numbered model year vehicle shall be renewed each even-numbered calendar year and any such vehicle manufactured as an odd-numbered model year vehicle shall be renewed each odd-numbered calendar year, subject to the following requirements:

- (1) The fee collected at the time of [biennial] **triennial** registration shall include the annual registration fee plus a pro rata amount for the additional [twelve] **twenty-four** months of the [biennial] **triennial** registration;
- (2) Presentation of all documentation otherwise required by law for vehicle registration including, but not limited to, a personal property tax receipt or certified statement for the preceding year that no such taxes were due as set forth in section 301.025, proof of a motor vehicle safety inspection and any applicable emission inspection conducted within sixty days prior to the date of application and proof of insurance as required by section 303.026.
- 2. The director of revenue may prescribe rules and regulations for the effective administration of this section. The director is authorized to adopt those rules that are reasonable and necessary to accomplish the limited duties specifically delegated within this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is promulgated pursuant to the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after July 1, 2000, shall be invalid and void.
- 3. The director of revenue shall have the authority to stagger the registration period of motor vehicles other than commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of twelve thousand pounds gross weight. Once the owner of a motor vehicle chooses the option of [biennial] triennial registration, such registration must be maintained for the full [twenty-four] thirty-six month period.

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301.3142. 1. Any immediate family member, including stepsiblings or stepchildren, who wishes to pay tribute to a member of the United States military who was a resident of this state and who was killed in the line of duty may receive special license plates as prescribed by this section, for any motor vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight.

- 2. Upon annual application payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the registration fee, and presentation of any other documents which may be required by law or upon [biennial] triennial application, payment of a [thirty] forty-five dollar fee in addition to the registration fee and presentation of proof of eligibility for such plates, and presentation of any other documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue may issue to the vehicle owner a personalized license plate which shall bear the initials of the member of the United States military killed while in the line of duty, a gold star on the left side of the plates, followed by a three-letter description of the relative's relation to the veteran, provided such license plate configuration is not currently in use, and which shall bear the words "WE SHALL NOT FORGET" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, 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. License plates issued pursuant to 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. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section, and shall design all necessary forms required by this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking

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authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2004, shall be 37 38 invalid and void.

301.3150. 1. An organization, other than an organization seeking a special military license plate or a collegiate or university plate, that seeks authorization to establish a new specialty license plate shall initially petition the department of revenue by submitting the following:

- (1) An application in a form prescribed by the director for the particular 5 specialty license plate being sought, describing the proposed specialty license 6 plate in general terms and have a sponsor of at least one current member of the 7 general assembly in the same legislative session in which the application is reviewed pursuant to subsection 5 of section 21.795. The application may contain written testimony for support of this specialty plate;
- 11 (2) Each application submitted pursuant to this section shall be accompanied by a list of at least two hundred potential applicants who plan to 1213 purchase the specialty plate if the specialty plate is approved pursuant to this 14 section;
- (3) An application fee, not to exceed five thousand dollars, to defray the department's cost for issuing, developing and programming the implementation 16 of the specialty plate, if authorized; and
- (4) All moneys received by the department of revenue, for the reviewing and development of specialty plates shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the "Department of Revenue Specialty Plate Fund" which is hereby 20 21created. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund and shall make 22 disbursements from the fund requested by the Missouri director of revenue for 23personal services, expenses, and equipment required to prepare, review, develop, and disseminate a new specialty plate and process the two hundred applications 24to be submitted once the plate is approved and to refund deposits for the application of such specialty plate, if the application is not approved by the joint committee on transportation oversight and for no other purpose.
 - 2. At the end of each state fiscal year, the director of revenue shall:
- 29 (1) Determine the amount of all moneys deposited into the department of revenue specialty plate fund; 30
- 31 (2) Determine the amount of disbursements from the department of 32 revenue specialty plate fund which were made to produce the specialty plate and 33 process the two hundred applications; and
- 34 (3) Subtract the amount of disbursements from the income figure referred

35 to in subdivision (1) of this subsection and deliver this figure to the state 36 treasurer.

- 3. The state treasurer shall transfer an amount of money equal to the figure provided by the director of revenue from the department of revenue specialty plate fund to the state highway department fund. An unexpended balance in the department of revenue specialty plate fund at the end of the biennium not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars shall be exempt from the provisions of section 33.080 relating to transfer of unexpended balances to the general revenue fund.
- 4. The documents and fees required pursuant to this section shall be submitted to the department of revenue by July first prior to the next regular session of the general assembly to be approved or denied by the joint committee on transportation oversight during that legislative session.
- 5. The department of revenue shall give notice of any proposed specialty plate in a manner reasonably calculated to advise the public of such proposal. Reasonable notice shall include posting the proposal for the specialty plate on the department's official public website, and making available copies of the specialty plate application to any representative of the news media or public upon request and posting the application on a bulletin board or other prominent public place which is easily accessible to the public and clearly designated for that purpose at the principal office.
- 6. Adequate notice conforming with all the requirements of subsection 5 of this section shall be given not less than four weeks, exclusive of weekends and holidays when the facility is closed, after the submission of the application by the organization to the department of revenue. Written or electronic testimony in support or opposition of the proposed specialty plate shall be submitted to the department of revenue by November thirtieth of the year of filing of the original proposal. All written testimony shall contain the printed name, signature, address, phone number, and email address, if applicable, of the individual giving the testimony.
- 7. The department of revenue shall submit for approval all applications for the development of specialty plates to the joint committee on transportation oversight during a regular session of the general assembly for approval.
- 8. If the specialty license plate requested by an organization is approved by the joint committee on transportation oversight, the organization shall submit the proposed art design for the specialty license plate to the department as soon

as practicable, but no later than sixty days after the approval of the specialty license plate. If the specialty license plate requested by the organization is not approved by the joint committee on transportation oversight, ninety-seven percent of the application fee shall be refunded to the requesting organization.

- 9. An emblem-use authorization fee may be charged by the organization prior to the issuance of an approved specialty plate. The organization's specialty plate proposal approved by the joint committee on transportation oversight shall state what fee is required to obtain such statement and if such fee is required annually or [biennially] triennially, if the applicant has a [two-year] three-year registration. An organization applying for specialty plates shall authorize the use of its official emblem to be affixed on multiyear personalized license plates within the plate area prescribed by the director of revenue and as provided in this section. Any contribution to the organization derived from the emblem-use contribution, except reasonable administrative costs, shall be used solely for the purposes of the organization. Any member of the organization or nonmember, if applicable, may annually apply for the use of the emblem, if applicable.
- 10. The department shall begin production and distribution of each new specialty license plate within one year after approval of the specialty license plate by the joint committee on transportation oversight.
- 11. The department shall issue a specialty license plate to the owner who meets the requirements for issuance of the specialty plate for any motor vehicle such owner owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight.
- 12. Each new or renewed application for an approved specialty license plate shall be made to the department of revenue, accompanied by an additional fee of fifteen dollars and the appropriate emblem-use authorization statement.
- 13. The appropriate registration fees, fifteen dollar specialty plate fee, processing fees and documents otherwise required for the issuance of registration of the motor vehicle as set forth by law must be submitted at the time the specialty plates are actually issued and renewed or as otherwise provided by law. However, no additional fee for the personalization of this plate shall be charged.
- 14. Once a specialty plate design is approved, a request for such plate may be made any time during a registration period. If a request is made for a specialty license plate to replace a current valid license plate, all documentation,

107 credits, and fees provided for in this chapter when replacing a current license 108 plate shall apply.

- 15. A vehicle owner who was previously issued a plate with an organization emblem authorized by this section, but who does not provide an emblem-use authorization statement at a subsequent time of registration if required, shall be issued a new plate which does not bear the organization's emblem, as otherwise provided by law.
- 114 16. Specialty license plates shall bear a design approved by the 115 organization submitting the original application for approval by the joint 116 committee on transportation oversight. The design shall be within the plate area 117 prescribed by the director of revenue, and the designated organization's name or 118 slogan shall be in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such license plates 119 shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme, shall be clearly visible at night, shall have a reflective white background in the area of the 120 121 plate configuration, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 122 301.130 and as provided in this section. In addition to a design, the specialty 123 license plates shall be in accordance with criteria and plate design set forth in this chapter. 124
- 17. The department is authorized to discontinue the issuance and renewal of a specialty license plate if the organization has stopped providing services and emblem-use authorization statements are no longer being issued by the organization. Such organizations shall notify the department immediately to discontinue the issuance of a specialty plate.
- 130 18. The organization that requested the specialty license plate shall not 131 redesign the specialty personalized license plate unless such organization pays 132 the director in advance all redesigned plate fees. All plate holders of such plates 133 must pay the replacement fees prescribed in section 301.300 for the replacement 134 of the existing specialty plate. All other applicable license plate fees in 135 accordance with this chapter shall be required.

301.3154. Beginning [January 1, 2005] July 1, 2014, the fee for any special license plate approved under section 21.795, sections 301.3150 and 301.3152, and this section shall be fifteen dollars for an annual registration and [thirty] forty-five dollars for a [biennial] triennial registration in addition to registration fees. The provisions of this section shall not apply to special military license plates. The fees for special military license plates shall be assessed as provided for by the statute creating such license plate except that no additional

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8 fee shall be charged for personalized military plates.

307.350. 1. The owner of every motor vehicle as defined in section 2 301.010 which is required to be registered in this state, except:

- 3 (1) Motor vehicles, for the five-year period following their model year of 4 manufacture, excluding prior salvage vehicles immediately following a rebuilding 5 process and vehicles subject to the provisions of section 307.380;
- 6 (2) Those motor vehicles which are engaged in interstate commerce and are proportionately registered in this state with the Missouri highway reciprocity 8 commission, although the owner may request that such vehicle be inspected by 9 an official inspection station, and a peace officer may stop and inspect such vehicles to determine whether the mechanical condition is in compliance with the safety regulations established by the United States Department of 12 Transportation; and
 - (3) Historic motor vehicles registered pursuant to section 301.131;
- 14 (4) Vehicles registered in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds for a 15 period of less than twelve months;

16 shall submit such vehicles to a [biennial] triennial inspection of their mechanism and equipment in accordance with the provisions of sections 307.350 17 18 to 307.390 and obtain a certificate of inspection and approval and a sticker, seal, or other device from a duly authorized official inspection station. The inspection, 19 20 except the inspection of school buses which shall be made at the time provided in section 307.375, shall be made at the time prescribed in the rules and 2122 regulations issued by the superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol; 23 but the inspection of a vehicle shall not be made more than sixty days prior to the 24date of application for registration or within sixty days of when a vehicle's registration is transferred. Any vehicle manufactured as an even-numbered 25model year vehicle shall be inspected and approved pursuant to the safety 26 inspection program established pursuant to sections 307.350 to 307.390 in each 27 28 even-numbered calendar year and any such vehicle manufactured as an 29 odd-numbered model year vehicle shall be inspected and approved pursuant to sections 307.350 to 307.390 in each odd-numbered year. The certificate of 30 inspection and approval shall be a sticker, seal, or other device or combination 31 32 thereof, as the superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol prescribes by 33 regulation and shall be displayed upon the motor vehicle or trailer as prescribed 34 by the regulations established by him. The replacement of certificates of inspection and approval which are lost or destroyed shall be made by the 35

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36 superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol under regulations prescribed 37 by him.

- 2. For the purpose of obtaining an inspection only, it shall be lawful to operate a vehicle over the most direct route between the owner's usual place of residence and an inspection station of such owner's choice, notwithstanding the fact that the vehicle does not have a current state registration license. It shall also be lawful to operate such a vehicle from an inspection station to another place where repairs may be made and to return the vehicle to the inspection station notwithstanding the absence of a current state registration license.
- 3. No person whose motor vehicle was duly inspected and approved as provided in this section shall be required to have the same motor vehicle again inspected and approved for the sole reason that such person wishes to obtain a set of any special personalized license plates available pursuant to section 301.144 or a set of any license plates available pursuant to section 301.142, prior to the expiration date of such motor vehicle's current registration.
- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 307.390, violation of this section shall be deemed an infraction.

307.353. Other provisions of law notwithstanding, no person shall be required to have a [biennial] **triennial** vehicle inspection during a registration period which exceeds [two] **three** years. The inspection required at the beginning of the registration period shall be valid for the entire registration period.

- 307.355. 1. No state registration license to operate the type of vehicle required to be inspected by section 307.350 may be transferred or issued during a [biennial] triennial registration year in which the vehicle is required to be inspected unless the application is accompanied by a certificate of inspection and approval issued no more than sixty days prior to the date of application, or in the case of school buses, which will be required to be inspected annually as provided in section 307.375, except:
- 8 (1) The director of revenue may transfer or issue a state registration 9 license to the type of vehicle required to be inspected by section 307.350 without 10 a certificate of inspection and approval accompanying the application if the 11 director has satisfactory evidence that the vehicle was not in the state of Missouri 12 at any time during the sixty days prior to the date of application; however, the 13 owner of every such vehicle must submit the vehicle for inspection and obtain a 14 certificate of inspection and approval within ten days after the vehicle is first

15 returned to the state of Missouri;

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- (2) The director of revenue shall renew a vehicle's registration license without a certificate of inspection and approval accompanying the application if satisfactory documentary evidence is presented at the time of application that the license being renewed was properly transferred within a six-month period prior to the expiration of the license being renewed or that the vehicle for which the registration is being issued was issued a registration for a period of less than one year for the registration period just expiring.
- 2. If due to interstate operation a commercial motor vehicle as defined in section 301.010 or a trailer of the type required to be inspected is required to obtain full fee registration in this and any other state during the same calendar year, no Missouri certificate of inspection and approval is required if the vehicle bears evidence that a current valid inspection sticker or decal was issued by such other state in which the vehicle is registered; provided that the sticker or decal issued by such other state is valid for the registration period in this state.
- 3. After a commercial motor vehicle as defined in section 301.010 has been registered for the current year, no certificate of inspection and approval is required when a local commercial motor vehicle license is changed to a beyond-local commercial motor vehicle license or when the licensed gross weight is changed during the licensed period.
- 643.315. 1. Except as provided in sections 643.300 to 643.355, all motor vehicles which are domiciled, registered or primarily operated in an area for 3 which the commission has established a motor vehicle emissions inspection program pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355 shall be inspected and approved prior to sale or transfer; provided that, if such vehicle is inspected and approved prior to sale or transfer, such vehicle shall not be subject to another emissions inspection for ninety days after the date of sale or transfer of such vehicle. In addition, any such vehicle manufactured as an even-numbered model year vehicle 8 shall be inspected and approved under the emissions inspection program 10 established pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355 in each even-numbered calendar year and any such vehicle manufactured as an odd-numbered model year 11 12 vehicle shall be inspected and approved under the emissions inspection program 13 established pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355 in each odd-numbered 14 calendar year. All motor vehicles subject to the inspection requirements of sections 643.300 to 643.355 shall display a valid emissions inspection sticker, and 15 when applicable, a valid emissions inspection certificate shall be presented at the

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time of registration or registration renewal of such motor vehicle. The 17 department of revenue shall require evidence of the safety and emission inspection and approval required by this section in issuing the motor vehicle 19 annual registration in conformity with the procedure required by sections 307.350 20to 307.390 and sections 643.300 to 643.355. The director of revenue may verify 2122that a successful safety and emissions inspection was completed via electronic 23 means.

- 24 2. The inspection requirement of subsection 1 of this section shall apply to all motor vehicles except: 25
 - (1) Motor vehicles with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating in excess of eight thousand five hundred pounds;
 - (2) Motorcycles and motortricycles if such vehicles are exempted from the motor vehicle emissions inspection under federal regulation and approved by the commission by rule;
 - (3) Model year vehicles manufactured prior to 1996;
- 32 (4) Vehicles which are powered exclusively by electric or hydrogen power 33 or by fuels other than gasoline which are exempted from the motor vehicle emissions inspection under federal regulation and approved by the commission 34 35 by rule;
- (5) Motor vehicles registered in an area subject to the inspection requirements of sections 643.300 to 643.355 which are domiciled and operated exclusively in an area of the state not subject to the inspection requirements of sections 643.300 to 643.355, but only if the owner of such vehicle presents to the department an affidavit that the vehicle will be operated exclusively in an area 40 of the state not subject to the inspection requirements of sections 643.300 to 643.355 for the next twenty-four months, and the owner applies for and receives a waiver which shall be presented at the time of registration or registration renewal;
- (6) New and unused motor vehicles, of model years of the current calendar 45 year and of any calendar year within two years of such calendar year, which have 46 an odometer reading of less than six thousand miles at the time of original sale 47 by a motor vehicle manufacturer or licensed motor vehicle dealer to the first user; 48
 - (7) Historic motor vehicles registered pursuant to section 301.131;
- 50 (8) School buses;
- 51 (9) Heavy-duty diesel-powered vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating 52in excess of eight thousand five hundred pounds;

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53 (10) New motor vehicles that have not been previously titled and registered, for the four-year period following their model year of manufacture, provided the odometer reading for such motor vehicles are under [forty] sixty 55 thousand miles at their first required [biennial] triennial safety inspection 56 conducted under sections 307.350 to 307.390; otherwise such motor vehicles shall 57 be subject to the emissions inspection requirements of subsection 1 of this section 58 during the same period that the biennial safety inspection is conducted; 59

- (11) Motor vehicles that are driven fewer than [twelve] eighteen thousand miles between [biennial] triennial safety inspections; and
- (12) Qualified plug-in electric drive vehicles. For the purposes of this section, "qualified plug-in electric drive vehicle" shall mean a plug-in electric drive vehicle that is made by a manufacturer, has not been modified from original manufacturer specifications, and can operate solely on electric power and is capable of recharging its battery from an on-board generation source and an off-board electricity source.
- 68 3. The commission may, by rule, allow inspection reciprocity with other 69 states having equivalent or more stringent testing and waiver requirements than 70 those established pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355.
 - 4. (1) At the time of sale, a licensed motor vehicle dealer, as defined in section 301.550, may choose to sell a motor vehicle subject to the inspection requirements of sections 643.300 to 643.355 either:
 - (a) With prior inspection and approval as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection; or
 - (b) Without prior inspection and approval as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection.
- 78 (2) If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle with prior inspection and approval, the dealer shall disclose, in writing, prior to sale, whether the vehicle 79 80 obtained approval by meeting the emissions standards established pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355 or by obtaining a waiver pursuant to section 643.335. 82 A vehicle sold pursuant to this subdivision by a licensed motor vehicle dealer shall be inspected and approved within the one hundred twenty days immediately 83 preceding the date of sale, and, for the purpose of registration of such vehicle, such inspection shall be considered timely.
- 86 (3) If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle without prior inspection and 87 approval, the purchaser may return the vehicle within ten days of the date of 88 purchase, provided that the vehicle has no more than one thousand additional

89 miles since the time of sale, if the vehicle fails, upon inspection, to meet the 90 emissions standards specified by the commission and the dealer shall have the vehicle inspected and approved without the option for a waiver of the emissions 91 standard and return the vehicle to the purchaser with a valid emissions 9293 certificate and sticker within five working days or the purchaser and dealer may enter into any other mutually acceptable agreement. If the dealer chooses to sell 94 the vehicle without prior inspection and approval, the dealer shall disclose 95 conspicuously on the sales contract and bill of sale that the purchaser has the 96 option to return the vehicle within ten days, provided that the vehicle has no 97 more than one thousand additional miles since the time of sale, to have the dealer 98 99 repair the vehicle and provide an emissions certificate and sticker within five 100 working days if the vehicle fails, upon inspection, to meet the emissions 101 standards established by the commission, or enter into any mutually acceptable 102 agreement with the dealer. A violation of this subdivision shall be an unlawful 103 practice as defined in section 407.020. No emissions inspection shall be required pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.360 for the sale of any motor vehicle which 104 105 may be sold without a certificate of inspection and approval, as provided pursuant 106 to subsection 2 of section 307.380.

Section B. The repeal of section 301.147 as enacted by conference committee substitute for house committee substitute for senate substitute for senate bill no. 470 merged with conference committee substitute for house committee substitute for senate bill no. 568, ninety-sixth general assembly, second regular session, and the repeal and reenactment of sections 136.055, 301.130, 301.3142, 301.3150, 301.3154, 307.350, 307.353, 307.355, and 643.315, RSMo, and section 301.147 as enacted by senate bill no. 54, ninety-second regular session, first regular session shall become effective July 1, 2014.

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