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SENATE BILLS NOS. 317 & 319

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal sections 301.301 and 303.024, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to the regulation of motor vehicles.

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

Section A. Sections 301.301 and 303.024, RSMo, are repealed and five new

- 2 sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 301.149, 301.301,
- 3 303.024, 379.011, and 379.012, to read as follows:
 - 301.149. 1. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, proof of
- 2 financial responsibility required for vehicle registration under section
- 3 301.147 may be provided by displaying an electronic image of an
- 4 insurance identification card on a mobile electronic device.
- 5 2. Whenever a person presents a mobile electronic device as
- 6 proof of financial responsibility to any employee of the department of
- 7 revenue or any agent authorized by the department of revenue under
- 8 section 136.055 to register motor vehicles and trailers, the person
- 9 presenting such mobile electronic device shall assume all liability for
- 10 any damage that may occur to the mobile electronic device, except for
- 11 damage willfully or maliciously caused by a department employee or
- 12 agent.
- 3. When a person provides evidence of financial responsibility
- 14 using a mobile electronic device pursuant to this section to any
- 15 employee of the department of revenue or any agent authorized by the

- 16 department of revenue under section 136.055 to register motor vehicles
- 17 and trailers, such employees or agents shall only view the evidence of
- 18 financial responsibility and shall not view any other content on the
- 19 mobile electronic device.
- 4. As used in this section, the term "mobile electronic device"
- 21 means any small handheld computing or communications device that
- 22 has a display screen with a touch input or a miniature keyboard.
 - 301.301. [1. Any person replacing a stolen license plate tab issued on or
 - 2 after January 1, 2009, may receive at no cost up to two sets of two license plate
 - 3 tabs per year when the application for the replacement tab is accompanied with
- 4 a police report that is corresponding with the stolen license plate tab.
- 5 2.] Any person replacing a stolen license plate tab [issued prior to
- 6 January 1, 2009,] may receive at no cost up to two sets of two license plate tabs
- 7 per year when the application for the replacement tab is accompanied with a
- 8 notarized affidavit verifying that such license plate tab or tabs were stolen.
- 303.024. 1. Each insurer issuing motor vehicle liability policies in this
- 2 state, or an agent of the insurer, shall furnish an insurance identification card
- 3 to the named insured for each motor vehicle insured by a motor vehicle liability
- 4 policy that complies with the requirements of sections 303.010 to 303.050,
- 5 303.060, 303.140, 303.220, 303.290, 303.330 and 303.370. Such insurance
- 6 identification card may be produced in either paper or electronic
- 7 format. Acceptable electronic forms include display of electronic
- 8 images on a cellular phone or any other type of portable electronic
- 9 device.
- 10 2. The insurance identification card shall include all of the following
- 11 information:
- 12 (1) The name and address of the insurer;
- 13 (2) The name of the named insured;
- 14 (3) The policy number;
- 15 (4) The effective dates of the policy, including month, day and year;
- 16 (5) A description of the insured motor vehicle, including year and make
- 17 or at least five digits of the vehicle identification number or the word Fleet if the
- 18 insurance policy covers five or more motor vehicles; and
- 19 (6) The statement "THIS CARD MUST BE CARRIED IN THE INSURED
- 20 MOTOR VEHICLE FOR PRODUCTION UPON DEMAND" prominently displayed
- 21 on the card.

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- 22 3. A new insurance identification card shall be issued when the insured 23 motor vehicle is changed, when an additional motor vehicle is insured, and when a new policy number is assigned. A replacement insurance identification card 24 shall be issued at the request of the insured in the event of loss of the original 25 insurance identification card. 26
- 4. The director shall furnish each self-insurer, as provided for in section 27 28 303.220, an insurance identification card for each motor vehicle so insured. The insurance identification card shall include all of the following information: 29
 - (1) Name of the self-insurer;
 - (2) The word self-insured; and
- 32 (3) The statement "THIS CARD MUST BE CARRIED IN THE SELF-INSURED MOTOR VEHICLE FOR PRODUCTION UPON DEMAND" 34 prominently displayed on the card.
- 35 5. An insurance identification card shall be carried in the insured motor 36 vehicle at all times. The operator of an insured motor vehicle shall exhibit the insurance identification card on the demand of any peace officer, commercial 37 38 vehicle enforcement officer or commercial vehicle inspector who lawfully stops such operator or investigates an accident while that officer or inspector is 39 40 engaged in the performance of the officer's or inspector's duties. If the operator fails to exhibit an insurance identification card, the officer or inspector shall issue 41 42a citation to the operator for a violation of section 303.025. A motor vehicle liability insurance policy, a motor vehicle liability insurance binder, [or] receipt, 43 or a photocopy or an image displayed on a mobile electronic device 44 45 which contains the policy information required in subsection 2 of this section, shall be satisfactory evidence of insurance in lieu of an insurance identification 46 card. The display of an image of the insurance card on a mobile 47 electronic device shall not serve as consent for such officer, inspector, 48 or other person to access other contents of the mobile electronic device 49 in any manner other than to verify the image of the insurance card. As 50 used in this section, the term "mobile electronic device" means any 51 52small handheld computing or communications device that has a display screen with a touch input or a miniature keyboard. Whenever a person 53 presents a mobile electronic device as proof of financial responsibility 54 to any peace officer, commercial vehicle enforcement officer, or 55 commercial vehicle inspector pursuant to this section, that person shall 56 assume all liability for any damage to the mobile electronic device,

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except for damage willfully or maliciously caused by a peace officer, 58 commercial vehicle enforcement officer, or commercial vehicle 59 60 inspector.

61 6. Any person who knowingly or intentionally produces, manufactures, sells, or otherwise distributes a fraudulent document, photocopy, or image 62 displayed on a mobile electronic device intended to serve as an insurance identification card is guilty of a class D felony. Any person who knowingly or 64intentionally possesses a fraudulent document or photocopy intended to serve as an insurance identification card or knowingly or intentionally uses a 66 fraudulent image displayed on a mobile electronic device is guilty of a 67 class B misdemeanor. 68

379.011. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Delivered by electronic means", includes delivery to an electronic mail address at which a party has consented to receive notices or documents, or posting on an electronic network or site accessible via the internet, mobile application, computer, mobile device, tablet, or any other electronic device, together with a separate notice to a party directed to the electronic mail address at which the party has consented to receive notice of the posting;
- (2) "Party", any recipient of any notice or document required as part of an insurance transaction, including but not limited to an applicant, an insured, a policyholder, or an annuity contract holder.
- 2. Subject to subsection 3 of this section, any notice to a party or any other document required under applicable law in an insurance transaction or that is to serve as evidence of insurance coverage may be delivered, stored, and presented by electronic means so long as it 16 meets the requirements of sections 432.200 through 432.295. Delivery of a notice or document in accordance with this subsection shall be considered equivalent to any delivery method required under applicable law, including delivery by first class mail, first class mail postage prepaid, certified mail, or certificate of mailing.
 - 3. A notice or document may be delivered by electronic means by an insurer to a party under this subsection if:
- 23 (1) The party has consented to that method of delivery and has 24 not withdrawn the consent;
- (2) The party, before giving consent, is provided with a clear and 25 26 conspicuous statement informing the party of:

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- 27 (a) Any right or option to have the notice or document provided 28 in paper or another nonelectronic form;
 - (b) The right of party to withdraw consent to have a notice or document delivered by electronic means and any fees, conditions, or consequences imposed in the event consent is withdrawn;
 - (c) Whether the party's consent applies only to the particular transaction as to which the notice or document must be given or to identified categories of notices or documents that may be delivered by electronic means during the course of the parties' relationship;
 - (d) The means, after consent is given, by which a party may obtain a paper copy of a notice or document delivered by electronic means and the fee, if any, for the paper copy; and
 - (e) The procedure a party must follow to withdraw consent to have a notice or document delivered by electronic means and to update information needed to contact the party electronically;
 - (3) The party, before giving consent, is provided with a statement of the hardware and software requirements for access to and retention of a notice or document delivered by electronic means and consents electronically, or confirms consent electronically, in a manner that reasonably demonstrates that the party can access information in the electronic form that will be used for notices or documents delivered by electronic means as to which the party has given consent; and
 - (4) After consent of the party is given, the insurer, in the event a change in the hardware or software requirements needed to access or retain a notice or document delivered in electronic means creates a material risk that the party will not be able to access or retain a subsequent notice or document to which the consent applies:
 - (a) Provides the party with a statement of the revised hardware and software requirements for access to and retention of a notice or document delivered by electronic means and of the right of the party to withdraw consent without the imposition of any fee, condition, or consequence that was not disclosed pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of this subsection; and
 - (b) Complies with subdivision (2) of this subsection.
- 4. This section does not affect requirements relating to content or timing of any notice or document required under applicable law. If any provision of applicable law requiring a notice or document to be

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of receipt of the notice or document, the notice or document may be delivered by electronic means only if the method used provides for verification or acknowledgment of receipt. The legal effectiveness, validity, or enforceability of any contract or policy of insurance executed by a party may not be denied solely because of the failure to obtain electronic consent or confirmation of consent of the party in accordance with subdivision (3) of subsection 3 of this section.

- 5. A withdrawal of consent by a party does not affect the legal effectiveness, validity, or enforceability of a notice or document delivered by electronic means to the party before the withdrawal of consent is effective. A withdrawal of consent by a party is effective within a reasonable period of time after receipt of the withdrawal by the insurer. Failure by an insurer to comply with subdivision (4) of subsection 3 of this section may be treated, at the election of the party, as a withdrawal of consent for purposes of this section.
- 80 6. This section does not apply to a notice or document delivered by an insurer in an electronic form before the effective date of this 81 section to a party who, before that date, has consented to receive 82 notices or documents in an electronic form otherwise allowed by law. 83 If the consent of a party to receive certain notices or documents in an electronic form is on file with an insurer before the effective date of 86 this section, and pursuant to this section, an insurer intends to deliver 87 additional notices or documents to such party in an electronic form, 88 then prior to delivering such additional notices or documents 89 electronically, the insurer shall notify the party of:
 - (1) The notices or documents that may be delivered by electronic means under this section that were not previously delivered electronically; and
 - (2) The party's right to withdraw consent to have notices or documents delivered by electronic means.
 - 7. Except as otherwise provided by law, if an oral communication or a recording of an oral communication between the insurer and a party can be reliably stored and reproduced by an insurer, the oral communication or recording may qualify as a notice or document delivered by electronic means for the purposes of this section. If any provision of applicable law requires a signature or notice or document

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to be notarized, acknowledged, verified, or made under oath, the requirement is satisfied if the electronic signature of the person authorized to perform those acts, together with all other information required to be included by the provision, is attached to or logically associated with the signature, notice, or document.

- 8. This section may not be construed to modify, limit, or supercede the provisions of sections 432.200 through 432.295.
 - 379.012. 1. In addition to and notwithstanding any other provisions or requirements of section 379.011 to the contrary, insurance policy forms and endorsements for property insurance as described in subdivisions (1), (2), (3), and (5) of subsection 1 of section 379.010 issued or renewed in this state, or covering risks in this state, which do not contain personally identifiable information, may be made available electronically on the insurer's website in lieu of mailing or delivering a paper copy of policy forms and endorsements to an insured.
- 2. If the insurer elects to make such insurance policy forms and endorsements available electronically on the insurer's website in lieu of mailing or delivering a paper copy to the insured, it shall comply with all the following conditions with respect to such policy forms and endorsements:
 - (1) The policy forms and endorsements issued or sold in this state shall be easily and publicly accessible on the insurer's website and remain that way for as long as the policy form or endorsement is in force or actively sold in this state;
 - (2) The insurer shall retain and store the policy forms and endorsements after they are withdrawn from use or replaced with other policy forms and endorsements for a period of five years and make them available to insureds and former insureds upon request and at no cost;
 - (3) The policy forms and endorsements shall be available on the insurer's website in an electronic format that enables the insured to print and save the policy forms and endorsements using programs or applications that are widely available on the internet and free to use;
- 27 (4) At policy issuance and renewal, the insurer shall provide 28 clear and conspicuous notice to the insured, in the manner it 29 customarily communicates with an insured, that it does not intend to 30 mail or deliver a paper copy of the policy forms or documents. The

notice shall provide instructions on how the insured may access the policy forms and endorsements on the insurer's website. The insurer shall also notify the insured of their right to obtain a paper copy of the policy forms and endorsements at no cost and provide either a toll-free telephone number or the telephone number of the insured's producer by which the insured can make this request;

- (5) At policy renewal, the insurer shall provide clear and conspicuous notice to the insured, in the manner it customarily communicates with an insured, of any changes which have been made to the policy forms or endorsements since the prior coverage period. Such notice shall be made in accordance with the requirements of subdivision (4) of this subsection; and
- (6) On each declarations page, or similar coverage summary document, issued to an insured, the insurer shall clearly identify the exact policy forms and endorsements purchased by the insured, so that the insured may easily access those forms on the insurer's website.
- 3. The director may promulgate any rules necessary to implement and administer the provisions of 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 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2013, shall be invalid and void.