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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 301.3142, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to gold star license plates.

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

Section A. Section 301.3142, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 301.3142, to read as follows:

- 301.3142. 1. Any immediate family member, including stepsiblings or
- 2 stepchildren, who wishes to pay tribute to a member of the United States military
- 3 who was a resident of this state and who was killed in the line of duty may
- 4 receive special **personalized** license plates as prescribed by this section, for any
- 5 motor vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an
- 6 apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of
- 7 eighteen thousand pounds gross weight.
- 8 2. Any such person shall make application for the special license
- 9 plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such
- 10 proof of eligibility as the director may require.
- 11 3. Upon [annual application payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to
- 12 the registration fee, and presentation of any other documents which may be
- 13 required by law or upon biennial application, payment of a thirty dollar fee in
- 14 addition to the registration fee and presentation of **such** proof of eligibility [for
- 15 such plates and payment of the regular registration fees, and presentation
- 16 of any [other] documents which may be required by law, the [department]
- 17 director of revenue [may] shall issue to the vehicle owner a special
- 18 personalized license plate which shall bear the initials of the member of the
- 19 United States military killed while in the line of duty, a gold star on the left side

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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"] at the bottom of the plate, in a manner prescribed by the director of revenue. 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.

- **4.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for the personalization of license plates pursuant to this section.
- 5. There shall be no limit on the number of license plates any person qualified under this section may obtain so long as each set of license plates issued under this section is issued for vehicles owned solely or jointly by such person.
- [3.] 6. 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.
- 7. The director [of revenue] shall make all 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 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2004, shall be invalid and void.

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