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### 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 301.280, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to temporary registration permit sales recording, with an existing penalty provision.

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

Section A. Section 301.280, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 301.280, to read as follows:

301.280. 1. Every motor vehicle dealer and boat dealer shall make a monthly report to the department of revenue, on blanks to be prescribed by the 2 3 department of revenue, giving the following information: date of the sale of each motor vehicle, boat, trailer and all-terrain vehicle sold; the name and address of 4 the buyer; the name of the manufacturer; year of manufacture; model of vehicle;  $\mathbf{5}$ vehicle identification number; style of vehicle; odometer setting; and it shall also 6 state whether the motor vehicle, boat, trailer or all-terrain vehicle is new or 7 secondhand. Each monthly sales report filed by a motor vehicle dealer who 8 9 collects sales tax under subsection 8 of section 144.070 shall also include the 10 amount of state and local sales tax collected for each motor vehicle sold if sales tax was due. The odometer reading is not required when reporting the sale of 11 any motor vehicle that is ten years old or older, any motor vehicle having a gross 12vehicle weight rating of more than sixteen thousand pounds, new vehicles that 13 are transferred on a manufacturer's statement of origin between one franchised 14 motor vehicle dealer and another, or boats, all-terrain vehicles or trailers. The 15sale of all thirty-day temporary permits, without exception, shall be recorded 16 in the appropriate space [on the dealer's monthly sales report by recording the 17complete permit number issued on the motor vehicle or trailer sale listed], 18

19 unless the sale of the thirty-day temporary permit is already recorded

20by electronic means as determined by the department. The monthly sales report shall be completed in full and signed by an officer, partner, or owner of the 2122dealership, and actually received by the department of revenue on or before the 23fifteenth day of the month succeeding the month for which the sales are being reported. If no sales occur in any given month, a report shall be submitted for 2425that month indicating no sales. Any vehicle dealer who fails to file a monthly 26report or who fails to file a timely report shall be subject to disciplinary action as prescribed in section 301.562 or a penalty assessed by the director not to exceed 27three hundred dollars per violation. Every motor vehicle and boat dealer shall 28retain copies of the monthly sales report as part of the records to be maintained 2930 at the dealership location and shall hold them available for inspection by 31appropriate law enforcement officials and officials of the department of 32revenue. Every vehicle dealer selling twenty or more vehicles a month shall file 33 the monthly sales report with the department in an electronic format. Any dealer filing a monthly sales report in an electronic format shall be exempt from filing 34 35the notice of transfer required by section 301.196. For any dealer not filing electronically, the notice of transfer required by section 301.196 shall be 36 submitted with the monthly sales report as prescribed by the director. 37

38 2. Every dealer and every person operating a public garage shall keep a correct record of the vehicle identification number, odometer setting, 39 manufacturer's name of all motor vehicles or trailers accepted by him for the 4041 purpose of sale, rental, storage, repair or repainting, together with the name and 42address of the person delivering such motor vehicle or trailer to the dealer or public garage keeper, and the person delivering such motor vehicle or trailer shall 43record such information in a file kept by the dealer or garage keeper. The record 44 shall be kept for five years and be open for inspection by law enforcement 4546 officials, members or authorized or designated employees of the Missouri highway 47patrol, and persons, agencies and officials designated by the director of revenue.

3. Every dealer and every person operating a public garage in which a motor vehicle remains unclaimed for a period of fifteen days shall, within five days after the expiration of that period, report the motor vehicle as unclaimed to the director of revenue. Such report shall be on a form prescribed by the director of revenue. A motor vehicle left by its owner whose name and address are known to the dealer or his employee or person operating a public garage or his employee is not considered unclaimed. Any dealer or person operating a public garage who 69

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fails to report a motor vehicle as unclaimed as herein required forfeits all claimsand liens for its garaging, parking or storing.

57 4. The director of revenue shall maintain appropriately indexed 58 cumulative records of unclaimed vehicles reported to the director. Such records 59 shall be kept open to public inspection during reasonable business hours.

60 5. The alteration or obliteration of the vehicle identification number on any such motor vehicle shall be prima facie evidence of larceny, and the dealer 61 or person operating such public garage shall upon the discovery of such 62 obliteration or alteration immediately notify the highway patrol, sheriff, marshal, 63 constable or chief of police of the municipality where the dealer or garage keeper 64 has his place of business, and shall hold such motor vehicle or trailer for a period 65 66 of forty-eight hours for the purpose of an investigation by the officer so notified. 67 6. Any person who knowingly makes a false statement or omission of a material fact in a monthly sales report to the department of revenue, as described 68

in subsection 1 of this section, shall be deemed guilty of a class A misdemeanor.