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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 301.3174, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to special license plates.

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

Section A. Section 301.3174, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 301.3174, to read as follows:

301.3174. 1. Any Missouri resident may receive special license plates as

2 prescribed in this section after an annual payment of an emblem-use

3 authorization fee to the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives. The

4 Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives hereby authorizes the use of its

5 official lineman emblem to be affixed on multiyear personalized license plates as

6 provided in this section for any vehicle the person owns, either solely or jointly[,

7 other than an apportioned motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle licensed in

8 excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight]. Any contribution to such

9 association derived from this section, except reasonable administrative costs,

10 shall be used solely for financial assistance for lineman training programs. Any

11 Missouri resident may annually apply to the association for the use of the

12 emblem.

2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five dollar

14 emblem-use contribution to the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives, the

15 association shall issue to the vehicle owner, without further charge, an

16 emblem-use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the vehicle

17 owner to the department of revenue at the time of registration of a motor

18 vehicle. Upon presentation of the annual statement and payment of the fee

19 required for personalized license plates in section 301.144, and other fees and

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documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue shall issue a personalized license plate or plates, which shall bear the emblem of the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives' lineman, to the vehicle owner. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the department of revenue shall issue the license plate or plates, as authorized in this section, for commercial vehicles of any weight classification.

- 3. The license plate or plates authorized by this section shall be of a design submitted by the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives and approved by the department, 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. The bidding process used to select a vendor for the material to manufacture the license plates authorized by this section shall consider the aesthetic appearance of the plate or plates.
- 4. A vehicle owner, who was previously issued a plate or plates with the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives' lineman emblem authorized by this section but who does not provide an emblem-use authorization statement at a subsequent time of registration, shall be issued a new plate or plates which do not bear the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives' lineman emblem, as otherwise provided by law. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and regulations for the enforcement of this section, and shall design all necessary forms required by this section.

