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SENATE BILL NO. 352

90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR STAPLES.

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Read 2nd time February 2, 1999, and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Reported from the Committee March 9, 1999, with recommendation that the bill do pass with Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 adopted March 24, 1999.

Taken up March 24, 1999. Read 3rd time and placed upon its final passage; bill passed.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 301, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to conservation license plates.

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

Section A. Chapter 301, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 301.466, to read as follows:

301.466. 1. Any vehicle owner may receive license plates as prescribed in this section, for issuance either to passenger motor vehicles subject to the registration fees provided in section 301.055, or for a local or nonlocal property-carrying commercial motor vehicle licensed for a gross weight not in excess of twelve thousand pounds as provided in section 301.057 or 301.058, after an annual payment of an emblem-use authorization fee to the Missouri conservation heritage foundation. The foundation hereby authorizes the use of its official emblems to be affixed on multi-year personalized license plates as provided in this section. Any vehicle owner may annually apply for the use of the emblems.

2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five dollar emblem-use authorization fee to the Missouri conservation heritage foundation, the foundation shall issue to the vehicle owner, without further charge, an emblem-use

authorization statement, which shall be presented to the director of the department of revenue at the time of registration of a motor vehicle.

- 3. Upon presentation of the annual statement, payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the regular registration fees and documents which may be required by law, the director of the department of revenue shall issue a personalized license plate, which shall bear an emblem of the Missouri conservation heritage foundation in a form prescribed by the director, to the vehicle owner. 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. A vehicle owner, who was previously issued a plate with a Missouri conservation heritage foundation 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 which does not bear the foundation emblem, as otherwise provided by law.
- 5. The director of the department of revenue may promulgate rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is promulgated under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to the effective date of this section is of no force and effect; however, nothing in this section shall be interpreted to repeal or affect the validity of any rule filed or adopted prior to the effective date of this section if it fully complied with the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, 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 the effective date of this section shall be invalid and void.

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