

HB 1072 -- GOLD STAR LICENSE PLATES

SPONSOR: Gosen

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Committee on Transportation by a vote of 13 to 0.

Currently, the Department of Revenue may issue a "Gold Star" license plate to specified family members of a member of the United States military who was a resident of this state and who was killed in the line of duty upon receipt of an annual \$15 application fee plus the regular registration fee for a one-year plate or upon a biennial application fee of \$30 plus the regular registration fee for a two-year plate. This bill repeals the annual or biennial application fee requirement and requires the family member to only pay the regular registration fee in order to be issued the special personalized plate.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that those who qualify for this license plate have already sacrificed enough and should not have to pay an additional registration fee to get the license plate.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Gosen and Richard Heigert, Missouri Association of Veterans Organizations.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.