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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 301, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the establishment of a special license plate for Missouri Boys State.

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 301.3173, to read as follows:

301.3173. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, anyone who participated in the American Legion's Missouri Boys State Program, after an annual payment of an emblem-use fee to Missouri Boys State, may receive specialty personalized license plates for any vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight. The American Legion Missouri Boys State hereby authorizes the use of its official emblem to be affixed on specialty personalized license plates within the plate area prescribed by the director of revenue and as provided in this section. Any contribution to Missouri Boys State derived from this section, except reasonable administrative costs, shall be used solely for the purposes of the Missouri Boys State Program.

2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five dollar emblem-use contribution to the Missouri Boys State, Missouri Boys State shall issue to the vehicle owner, without further charge, an emblem-use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the vehicle owner to the director of revenue at the time of registration. Upon presentation of the annual statement and payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the regular registration fees, and presentation of any documents which may be required by

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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law, the director of revenue shall issue to the vehicle owner a specialty personalized license plate which shall bear the emblem of Missouri Boys State and the words Missouri Boys 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 of the standard license plate, shall be clearly visible at night, shall have a reflective white background in the area of the plate configuration, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for the personalization of license plates issued pursuant to this section.

- 3. A vehicle owner who was previously issued a plate with Missouri Boys State's 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 Missouri Boys State's 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.
- 4. Prior to the issuance of a Missouri Boys State specialty personalized plate authorized under this section the department of revenue shall be in receipt of an application, as prescribed by the director, which shall be accompanied by a list of at least two hundred potential applicants who plan to purchase the specialty personalized plate, the proposed art design for the specialty license plate, and an application fee, not to exceed five thousand dollars, to defray the department's cost for issuing, developing, and programming the implementation of the specialty plate. Once the plate design is approved, the director of revenue shall not authorize the manufacture of the material to produce such specialized license plates with the individual seal, logo, or emblem until such time as the director has received two hundred applications, the fifteen dollar specialty plate fee per application, and emblem use statements, if applicable, and other required documents or fees for such plates.
- 5. The specialty personalized plate shall not be redesigned unless the organization pays the director in advance for all redesigned plate fees for the plate established in this section. If a member chooses to replace the specialty personalized plate for the new design, the member shall pay the replacement fees prescribed in section 301.300 for the replacement of the existing specialty personalized plate. All other applicable license plates fees in accordance with this chapter shall be required.

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