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AN ACT

To repeal section 301.451, 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Section A. Section 301.451, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 301.451, to read as follows:

- 301.451. (1) Any person who has been awarded the purple heart medal may apply for special motor vehicle license plates for any vehicle he or she owns, either solely or jointly, other than commercial vehicles weighing over twenty-four thousand pounds.
- (2) Any such person shall make application for the special license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof as a recipient of the purple heart medal as the director may require. The director shall then issue license plates bearing letters or numbers or a combination thereof, with the words "PURPLE HEART" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE" in a form prescribed by the advisory committee established in section 301.129.
- (3) 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) There shall be no fee charged for the first set of license plates issued to an eligible person under this section. A second or subsequent set of license plates issued to the eligible person under this section shall be subject to regular registration fees but not to any fee in addition to regular registration fees [for the purple heart license plates issued to the applicant].

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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(5) There shall be no limit on the number of license plates any person qualified under this section may obtain so long as each set of license plates issued under this section is issued for vehicles owned solely or jointly by such person.

(6) License plates issued under the provisions of this section shall not be transferable to any other person, except that, in the event of the death of the qualified person, any registered co-owner of the motor vehicle shall be entitled to [operate the motor vehicle for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person] use and renew the license plates until he or she remarries or, if he or she does not remarry, for the remainder of his or her life.

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