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[TRULY AGREED TO AND FINALLY PASSED]

# HOUSE BILL NO. 898

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### AN ACT

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

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*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  
2 known as section 301.3175, to read as follows:

**301.3175. 1. Any vehicle owner may apply for "Back the Blue" license plates for  
2 any motor vehicle the person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned  
3 motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand  
4 pounds gross weight. Upon making a ten-dollar contribution to the Missouri Law  
5 Enforcement Memorial Foundation, the vehicle owner may apply for the "Back the Blue"  
6 plate. If the contribution is made directly to the Missouri Law Enforcement Memorial  
7 Foundation, the foundation shall issue the individual making the contribution a receipt,  
8 verifying the contribution, that may be used to apply for the "Back the Blue" license plate.  
9 If the contribution is made directly to the director of revenue pursuant to section 301.3031,  
10 the director shall note the contribution and the owner may then apply for the "Back the  
11 Blue" plate. The applicant for such plate shall pay a fifteen-dollar fee in addition to the  
12 regular registration fees and present any other documentation required by law for each  
13 set of "Back the Blue" plates issued pursuant to this section. Notwithstanding the  
14 provisions of section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for the personalization of  
15 license plates issued pursuant to this section. The "Back the Blue" plate shall bear the  
16 emblem of a thin blue line encompassed in black as prescribed by the director of revenue**

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.

17 and shall have the words "BACK THE BLUE". Such license plates shall be made with  
18 fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at  
19 night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130.

20 2. The director of revenue may promulgate rules and regulations for the  
21 administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in  
22 section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become  
23 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and,  
24 if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any  
25 of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay  
26 the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held  
27 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted  
28 after August 28, 2019, shall be invalid and void.

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