

HCS HB 247 -- MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION (Bromley)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Standing Committee on Government Efficiency

Beginning January 1, 2026, the Director of the Department of Revenue will be authorized to issue to owners of motor vehicles with a model year of manufacture less than six years, other than as provided in the bill, the option of a five-year registration period if the fee collected is equal to the annual registration fee plus a pro rata amount for the additional four years of the five-year registration, and presentation of all documentation otherwise required by law for vehicle registration.

The bill repeals the provision of law which requires that vehicles manufactured as an even-numbered model year must be renewed each even-numbered calendar year and that vehicles manufactured as an odd-numbered model year must be renewed each odd-numbered calendar year.

This bill provides that the application for a Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation emblem license plate and payment of the \$25 contribution may be made at the time of registration to the Director of the Department of Revenue, who must deposit the contribution to the credit of the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation.

Currently any person who has served and was honorably discharged or currently serves in a US service branch may apply for a special motor vehicle license plates, this bill includes the Space Force.

Currently, safety inspections are not required for registration of a motor vehicle having less than 150,000 miles for the 10 year period following the model year of manufacture. This bill changes that exemption to motor vehicles having less than 150,000 miles and a model year of 2012 or newer.

This bill provides that vehicle identification number and odometer inspections for titling purposes can be performed by an employee of a licensed new or used motor vehicle dealer if the vehicle is sold to a person who lives out of state and intends to register the vehicle out of state, or if the motor vehicle has less than 30,000 miles for the three-year period following the model year of manufacture.

A licensed motor vehicle dealer who knowingly completes an inspection with incorrect information will be subject to disciplinary action by the Department of Revenue. The bill also specifies that a pre-sale inspection must be performed no more than 60 days prior to sale and also exempts these vehicles from safety

and emissions inspections prior to sale if the vehicle is sold by a private seller or by a licensed motor vehicle dealer that has sold at least 200 motor vehicles in the previous calendar year.

This bill is the similar to HB 246 (2025) and HB 2096 (2024) and the perfected bill includes the HCS for HBs 799, 334, 424 & 1069 (2025), HB 61 (2025), and HB 1355 (2025).