

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill Nos. 1838, 1692, 1695, 1983, 2036, 2662 &
2 2743, Page 4, Section 301.074, Line 11, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4 "301.130. 1. The director of revenue, upon receipt of a proper application for registration,
5 required fees and any other information which may be required by law, shall issue to the applicant a
6 certificate of registration in such manner and form as the director of revenue may prescribe and a set
7 of license plates, or other evidence of registration, as provided by this section. Each set of license
8 plates shall bear the name or abbreviated name of this state, the words "SHOW-ME STATE", the
9 month and year in which the registration shall expire, and an arrangement of numbers or letters, or
10 both, as shall be assigned from year to year by the director of revenue. The plates shall also contain
11 fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design for each type of license plate
12 issued pursuant to this chapter. The plates shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically
13 attractive. Special plates for qualified disabled veterans will have the "DISABLED VETERAN"
14 wording on the license plates in preference to the words "SHOW-ME STATE" and special plates for
15 members of the National Guard will have the "NATIONAL GUARD" wording in preference to the
16 words "SHOW-ME STATE".

17 2. The arrangement of letters and numbers of license plates shall be uniform throughout
18 each classification of registration. The director may provide for the arrangement of the numbers in
19 groups or otherwise, and for other distinguishing marks on the plates.

20 3. All property-carrying commercial motor vehicles to be registered at a gross weight in
21 excess of twelve thousand pounds, all passenger-carrying commercial motor vehicles, local transit
22 buses, school buses, trailers, semitrailers, motorcycles, motortricycles, autocycles, motorscooters,
23 and driveaway vehicles shall be registered with the director of revenue as provided for in subsection
24 3 of section 301.030, or with the state highways and transportation commission as otherwise
25 provided in this chapter, but only one license plate shall be issued for each such vehicle, except as
26 provided in this subsection. The applicant for registration of any property-carrying commercial
27 vehicle registered at a gross weight in excess of twelve thousand pounds may request and be issued
28 two license plates for such vehicle, and if such plates are issued, the director of revenue shall
29 provide for distinguishing marks on the plates indicating one plate is for the front and the other is for
30 the rear of such vehicle. The director may assess and collect an additional charge from the applicant

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1 in an amount not to exceed the fee prescribed for personalized license plates in subsection 1 of
2 section 301.144.

3 4. The plates issued to manufacturers and dealers shall bear the letters and numbers as
4 prescribed by section 301.560, and the director may place upon the plates other letters or marks to
5 distinguish commercial motor vehicles and trailers and other types of motor vehicles.

6 5. No motor vehicle or trailer shall be operated on any highway of this state unless it shall
7 have displayed thereon the license plate or set of license plates issued by the director of revenue or
8 the state highways and transportation commission and authorized by section 301.140. Each such
9 plate shall be securely fastened to the motor vehicle or trailer in a manner so that all parts thereof
10 shall be plainly visible and reasonably clean so that the reflective qualities thereof are not impaired.
11 Each such plate may be encased in a transparent cover so long as the plate is plainly visible and its
12 reflective qualities are not impaired. License plates shall be fastened to all motor vehicles except
13 trucks, tractors, truck tractors or truck-tractors licensed in excess of twelve thousand pounds on the
14 front and rear of such vehicles not less than eight nor more than forty-eight inches above the ground,
15 with the letters and numbers thereon right side up. The license plates on trailers, motorcycles,
16 motortricycles, autocycles, and motorscooters shall be displayed on the rear of such vehicles either
17 horizontally or vertically, with the letters and numbers plainly visible. The license plate on buses,
18 other than school buses, and on trucks, tractors, truck tractors or truck-tractors licensed in excess of
19 twelve thousand pounds shall be displayed on the front of such vehicles not less than eight nor more
20 than forty-eight inches above the ground, with the letters and numbers thereon right side up or if two
21 plates are issued for the vehicle pursuant to subsection 3 of this section, displayed in the same
22 manner on the front and rear of such vehicles. The license plate or plates authorized by section
23 301.140, when properly attached, shall be prima facie evidence that the required fees have been
24 paid.

25 6. (1) The director of revenue shall issue annually or biennially a tab or set of tabs as
26 provided by law as evidence of the annual payment of registration fees and the current registration
27 of a vehicle in lieu of the set of plates. Beginning January 1, 2010, the director may prescribe any
28 additional information recorded on the tab or tabs to ensure that the tab or tabs positively correlate
29 with the license plate or plates issued by the department of revenue for such vehicle. Such tabs shall
30 be produced in each license bureau office.

31 (2) The vehicle owner to whom a tab or set of tabs is issued shall affix and display such tab
32 or tabs in the designated area of the license plate, no more than one per plate.

33 (3) A tab or set of tabs issued by the director of revenue when attached to a vehicle in the
34 prescribed manner shall be prima facie evidence that the registration fee for such vehicle has been
35 paid.

36 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the director of revenue shall issue plates for
37 a period of at least six years.

38 (5) For those commercial motor vehicles and trailers registered pursuant to section 301.041,
39 the plate issued by the highways and transportation commission shall be a permanent nonexpiring

1 license plate for which no tabs shall be issued. Nothing in this section shall relieve the owner of any
2 vehicle permanently registered pursuant to this section from the obligation to pay the annual
3 registration fee due for the vehicle. The permanent nonexpiring license plate shall be returned to the
4 highways and transportation commission upon the sale or disposal of the vehicle by the owner to
5 whom the permanent nonexpiring license plate is issued, or the plate may be transferred to a
6 replacement commercial motor vehicle when the owner files a supplemental application with the
7 Missouri highways and transportation commission for the registration of such replacement
8 commercial motor vehicle. Upon payment of the annual registration fee, the highways and
9 transportation commission shall issue a certificate of registration or other suitable evidence of
10 payment of the annual fee, and such evidence of payment shall be carried at all times in the vehicle
11 for which it is issued.

12 (6) Upon the sale or disposal of any vehicle permanently registered under this section, or
13 upon the termination of a lease of any such vehicle, the permanent nonexpiring plate issued for such
14 vehicle shall be returned to the highways and transportation commission and shall not be valid for
15 operation of such vehicle, or the plate may be transferred to a replacement vehicle when the owner
16 files a supplemental application with the Missouri highways and transportation commission for the
17 registration of such replacement vehicle. If a vehicle which is permanently registered under this
18 section is sold, wrecked or otherwise disposed of, or the lease terminated, the registrant shall be
19 given credit for any unused portion of the annual registration fee when the vehicle is replaced by the
20 purchase or lease of another vehicle during the registration year.

21 7. Beginning January 1, 2027, the director of revenue may issue five-year tabs as provided
22 by law as evidence of the payment of registration fees and the current registration of a vehicle in
23 lieu of the set of plates to motor vehicle owners electing a five-year registration under subsection 2
24 of section 301.147.

25 8. The director of revenue and the highways and transportation commission may prescribe
26 rules and regulations for the effective administration of this section. No rule or portion of a rule
27 promulgated under the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been
28 promulgated pursuant to the provisions of section 536.024.

29 [8.] 9. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, owners of motor
30 vehicles other than apportioned motor vehicles or commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of
31 twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight may apply for special personalized license plates.
32 Vehicles licensed for twenty-four thousand pounds that display special personalized license plates
33 shall be subject to the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of section 301.030. On and after August 28,
34 2016, owners of motor vehicles, other than apportioned motor vehicles or commercial motor
35 vehicles licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight, may apply for any
36 preexisting or hereafter statutorily created special personalized license plates.

37 [9.] 10. No later than January 1, 2019, the director of revenue shall commence the
38 reissuance of new license plates of such design as approved by the advisory committee under
39 section 301.125 consistent with the terms, conditions, and provisions of section 301.125 and this

1 chapter. Except as otherwise provided in this section, in addition to all other fees required by law,
 2 applicants for registration of vehicles with license plates that expire during the period of reissuance,
 3 applicants for registration of trailers or semitrailers with license plates that expire during the period
 4 of reissuance and applicants for registration of vehicles that are to be issued new license plates
 5 during the period of reissuance shall pay the cost of the plates required by this subsection. The
 6 additional cost prescribed in this subsection shall not be charged to persons receiving special license
 7 plates issued under section 301.073 or 301.443. Historic motor vehicle license plates registered
 8 pursuant to section 301.131 and specialized license plates are exempt from the provisions of this
 9 subsection. Except for new, replacement, and transfer applications, permanent nonexpiring license
 10 plates issued to commercial motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 301.041 are exempt
 11 from the provisions of this subsection."; and

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 13 Further amend said bill, Page 7, Section 301.147, Lines 4-7, by deleting said lines and inserting in
 14 lieu thereof the following:

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 16 "weight, the option of biennially registering motor vehicles[~~Any vehicle manufactured as~~
 17 ~~an even-numbered model year vehicle shall be renewed each even-numbered calendar year and any~~
 18 ~~such vehicle manufactured as an odd-numbered model year vehicle shall be renewed each odd-~~
 19 ~~numbered calendar year]~~, subject to the following requirements:"; and

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 21 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 17, by inserting after the number "2." the following:

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 23 "Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.020 to the contrary, beginning January 1,
 24 2027, the director of revenue may provide owners of motor vehicles, other than commercial motor
 25 vehicles licensed in excess of fifty-four thousand pounds gross weight, the option of a five-year
 26 registration period, subject to the following requirements:

27 (1) The fee collected at the time of five-year registration shall include the annual registration
 28 fee plus a pro rata amount for the additional four years of the five-year registration;

29 (2) Presentation of all documentation otherwise required by law for vehicle registration
 30 including, but not limited to, a personal property tax receipt or certified statement for the preceding
 31 year that no such taxes were due as set forth in section 301.025, proof of a motor vehicle safety
 32 inspection if applicable, and proof of insurance as required by section 303.026.

33 3."; and

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 35 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 27, by deleting the number "3." and inserting in lieu
 36 thereof the numbers "[~~3-~~ 4."; and

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 38 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
 39 accordingly.