SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1983

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE COOK.

5367H.011 JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 301.020 and 307.350, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to motor vehicle safety inspections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

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Section A. Sections 301.020 and 307.350, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 301.020 and 307.350, to read as follows:

301.020. 1. Every owner of a motor vehicle or trailer, which shall be operated or driven upon the highways of this state, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, shall annually file, by mail or otherwise, in the office of the director of revenue, an application for registration on a blank **form** to be furnished by the director of revenue for that purpose containing:

- (1) A brief description of the motor vehicle or trailer to be registered, including the name of the manufacturer, the vehicle identification number, the amount of motive power of the motor vehicle, stated in figures of horsepower and whether the motor vehicle is to be registered as a motor vehicle primarily for business use as defined in section 301.010;
- (2) The name, the applicant's identification number and address of the owner of such motor vehicle or trailer; and
- (3) The gross weight of the vehicle and the desired load in pounds if the vehicle is a commercial motor vehicle or trailer.
- 2. If the vehicle is a motor vehicle primarily for business use as defined in section 301.010 and if such vehicle is [ten years of age or less and] model year 2000 or newer or has less than one hundred fifty thousand miles on the odometer, the director of revenue shall retain the odometer information provided in the vehicle inspection report, and provide for

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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prompt access to such information, together with the vehicle identification number for the motor vehicle to which such information pertains, for a period of ten years after the receipt of such information. This section shall not apply unless:

- (1) The application for the vehicle's certificate of ownership was submitted after July 1, 1989; and
 - (2) The certificate was issued pursuant to a manufacturer's statement of origin.
- 3. If the vehicle is any motor vehicle other than a motor vehicle primarily for business use, a recreational motor vehicle, motorcycle, motortricycle, autocycle, bus, or any commercial motor vehicle licensed for over twelve thousand pounds and if such motor vehicle is [ten years of age or less and] model year 2000 or newer or has less than one hundred fifty thousand miles on the odometer, the director of revenue shall retain the odometer information provided in the vehicle inspection report, and provide for prompt access to such information, together with the vehicle identification number for the motor vehicle to which such information pertains, for a period of ten years after the receipt of such information. This subsection shall not apply unless:
- (1) The application for the vehicle's certificate of ownership was submitted after July 1, 1990; and
 - (2) The certificate was issued pursuant to a manufacturer's statement of origin.
- 4. If the vehicle qualifies as a reconstructed motor vehicle, motor change vehicle, specially constructed motor vehicle, non-USA-std motor vehicle, as defined in section 301.010, or prior salvage as referenced in section 301.573, the owner or lienholder shall surrender the certificate of ownership. The owner shall make an application for a new certificate of ownership, pay the required title fee, and obtain the vehicle examination certificate required pursuant to subsection 9 of section 301.190. If an insurance company pays a claim on a salvage vehicle as defined in section 301.010 and the owner retains the vehicle, as prior salvage, the vehicle shall only be required to meet the examination requirements under subsection 10 of section 301.190. Notarized bills of sale along with a copy of the front and back of the certificate of ownership for all major component parts installed on the vehicle and invoices for all essential parts which are not defined as major component parts shall accompany the application for a new certificate of ownership. If the vehicle is a specially constructed motor vehicle, as defined in section 301.010, two pictures of the vehicle shall be submitted with the application. If the vehicle is a kit vehicle, the applicant shall submit the invoice and the manufacturer's statement of origin on the kit. If the vehicle requires the issuance of a special number by the director of revenue or a replacement vehicle identification number, the applicant shall submit the required application and application fee. All applications required under this subsection shall be submitted with any applicable taxes which may be due on the purchase of the vehicle or parts. The director of

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revenue shall appropriately designate "Reconstructed Motor Vehicle", "Motor Change Vehicle", "Non-USA-Std Motor Vehicle", or "Specially Constructed Motor Vehicle" on the current and all subsequent issues of the certificate of ownership of such vehicle.

- 5. Every insurance company that pays a claim for repair of a motor vehicle which as the result of such repairs becomes a reconstructed motor vehicle as defined in section 301.010 or that pays a claim on a salvage vehicle as defined in section 301.010 and the owner is retaining the vehicle shall in writing notify the owner of the vehicle, and in a first party claim, the lienholder if a lien is in effect, that he is required to surrender the certificate of ownership, and the documents and fees required pursuant to subsection 4 of this section to obtain a prior salvage motor vehicle certificate of ownership or documents and fees as otherwise required by law to obtain a salvage certificate of ownership, from the director of revenue. The insurance company shall within thirty days of the payment of such claims report to the director of revenue the name and address of such owner, the year, make, model, vehicle identification number, and license plate number of the vehicle, and the date of loss and payment.
- 6. Anyone who fails to comply with the requirements of this section shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.
- 7. An applicant for registration may make a donation of one dollar to promote a blindness education, screening and treatment program. The director of revenue shall collect the donations and deposit all such donations in the state treasury to the credit of the blindness education, screening and treatment program fund established in section 209.015. Moneys in the blindness education, screening and treatment program fund shall be used solely for the purposes established in section 209.015; except that the department of revenue shall retain no more than one percent for its administrative costs. The donation prescribed in this subsection is voluntary and may be refused by the applicant for registration at the time of issuance or renewal. The director shall inquire of each applicant at the time the applicant presents the completed application to the director whether the applicant is interested in making the one dollar donation prescribed in this subsection.
- 8. An applicant for registration may make a donation of an amount not less than one dollar to promote an organ donor program. The director of revenue shall collect the donations and deposit all such donations in the state treasury to the credit of the organ donor program fund as established in sections 194.297 to 194.304. Moneys in the organ donor **program** fund shall be used solely for the purposes established in sections 194.297 to 194.304, except that the department of revenue shall retain no more than one percent for its administrative costs. The donation prescribed in this subsection is voluntary and may be refused by the applicant for registration at the time of issuance or renewal. The director shall inquire of each applicant at the time the applicant presents the completed application to the director whether

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92 the applicant is interested in making a contribution not less than one dollar as prescribed in 93 this subsection.

- 9. An applicant for registration may make a donation of one dollar to the Missouri medal of honor recipients fund. The director of revenue shall collect the donations and deposit all such donations in the state treasury to the credit of the Missouri medal of honor recipients fund as established in section 226.925. Moneys in the medal of honor recipients fund shall be used solely for the purposes established in section 226.925, except that the department of revenue shall retain no more than one percent for its administrative costs. The donation prescribed in this subsection is voluntary and may be refused by the applicant for registration at the time of issuance or renewal. The director shall inquire of each applicant at the time the applicant presents the completed application to the director whether the applicant is interested in making the one dollar donation prescribed in this subsection.
- 307.350. 1. The owner of every motor vehicle as defined in section 301.010 which is required to be registered in this state, except:
- (1) Motor vehicles having less than one hundred fifty thousand miles, for the tenyear period following their model year of manufacture, excluding prior salvage vehicles immediately following a rebuilding process and vehicles subject to the provisions of section 307.380;
- (2) Motor vehicles of model year 2000 or newer, excluding prior salvage vehicles immediately following a rebuilding process and vehicles subject to the provisions of section 307.380;
- [(2)] (3) Those motor vehicles which are engaged in interstate commerce and are proportionately registered in this state with the Missouri highway reciprocity commission, although the owner may request that such vehicle be inspected by an official inspection station, and a peace officer may stop and inspect such vehicles to determine whether the mechanical condition is in compliance with the safety regulations established by the United States Department of Transportation; and
 - [(3)] (4) Historic motor vehicles registered pursuant to section 301.131;
- [(4)] (5) Vehicles registered in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds for a period of less than twelve months;

20 shall submit such vehicles to a biennial inspection of their mechanism and equipment in accordance with the provisions of sections 307.350 to 307.390 and obtain a certificate of 21 22 inspection and approval and a sticker, seal, or other device from a duly authorized official 23 inspection station. The inspection, except the inspection of school buses which shall be made 24

at the time provided in section 307.375, shall be made at the time prescribed in the rules and

regulations issued by the superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol; but the

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inspection of a vehicle shall not be made more than sixty days prior to the date of application 26 for registration or within sixty days of when a vehicle's registration is transferred; however, if 27 28 a vehicle was purchased from a motor vehicle dealer and a valid inspection had been made 29 within sixty days of the purchase date, the new owner shall be able to utilize an inspection 30 performed within ninety days prior to the application for registration or transfer. Any vehicle manufactured as an even-numbered model year vehicle shall be inspected and approved 31 pursuant to the safety inspection program established pursuant to sections 307.350 to 307.390 33 in each even-numbered calendar year and any such vehicle manufactured as an odd-numbered model year vehicle shall be inspected and approved pursuant to sections 307.350 to 307.390 34 in each odd-numbered year. The certificate of inspection and approval shall be a sticker, seal, 35 or other device or combination thereof, as the superintendent of the Missouri state highway 36 37 patrol prescribes by regulation and shall be displayed upon the motor vehicle or trailer as 38 prescribed by the regulations established by him. The replacement of certificates of inspection and approval which are lost or destroyed shall be made by the superintendent of 39 40 the Missouri state highway patrol under regulations prescribed by him.

- 2. For the purpose of obtaining an inspection only, it shall be lawful to operate a vehicle over the most direct route between the owner's usual place of residence and an inspection station of such owner's choice, notwithstanding the fact that the vehicle does not have a current state registration license. It shall also be lawful to operate such a vehicle from an inspection station to another place where repairs may be made and to return the vehicle to the inspection station notwithstanding the absence of a current state registration license.
- 3. No person whose motor vehicle was duly inspected and approved as provided in this section shall be required to have the same motor vehicle again inspected and approved for the sole reason that such person wishes to obtain a set of any special personalized license plates available pursuant to section 301.144 or a set of any license plates available pursuant to section 301.142, prior to the expiration date of such motor vehicle's current registration.
- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 307.390, violation of this section shall be deemed an infraction.

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