

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2619

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHULTE.

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 301, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to special license plates for Afghanistan and Iraq veterans.

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

Section A. Chapter 301, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 301.3181 and 301.3182, to read as follows:

301.3181. Any person who served as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States in Afghanistan and Iraq and was awarded the Afghanistan Campaign medal and the Iraq Campaign medal may apply for Afghanistan and Iraq Veteran vehicle license plates for any motor vehicle the person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight. Any such person shall make application for the license plates authorized by this section on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof of service in Afghanistan and Iraq, the awarding of the Afghanistan Campaign medal and the Iraq Campaign medal, and status as currently serving in a branch of the Armed Forces of the United States or as an honorably discharged veteran as the director may require. Upon presentation of the proof of eligibility, payment of a fifteen-dollar fee in addition to the regular registration fees, and presentation of documents that may be required by law, the director shall then issue license plates bearing letters or numbers or a combination thereof, as determined by the director, with the words "AFGHANISTAN & IRAQ VETERAN" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such plates shall bear the Afghanistan Campaign medal and the Iraq Campaign medal on the left side, with the Afghanistan Campaign medal

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.

18 appearing farthest to the left and the Iraq Campaign medal appearing immediately to
19 the right of the Afghanistan Campaign medal. Notwithstanding the provisions of
20 section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for the personalization of license
21 plates issued pursuant to this section. The plates shall be clearly visible at night and
22 shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. There shall be no limit
23 on the number of license plates any person qualified pursuant to this section may obtain
24 so long as each set of license plates issued pursuant to this section is issued for a vehicle
25 owned solely or jointly by such person. License plates issued pursuant to this section
26 shall not be transferable to any other person, except that any registered co-owner of the
27 motor vehicle may operate the motor vehicle for the duration of the year licensed in the
28 event of the death of the qualified person.

301.3182. Any person who served as a member of the Armed Forces of the
2 United States in Afghanistan and was awarded the Afghanistan Campaign medal may
3 apply for Afghanistan Veteran vehicle license plates for any motor vehicle the person
4 owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial
5 motor vehicle licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight. Any such
6 person shall make application for the license plates authorized by this section on a form
7 provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof of service in Afghanistan,
8 the awarding of the Afghanistan Campaign medal, and status as currently serving in a
9 branch of the Armed Forces of the United States or as an honorably discharged veteran
10 as the director may require. Upon presentation of the proof of eligibility, payment of a
11 fifteen-dollar fee in addition to the regular registration fees, and presentation of
12 documents that may be required by law, the director shall then issue license plates
13 bearing letters or numbers or a combination thereof, as determined by the director, with
14 the words "AFGHANISTAN VETERAN" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE".
15 Such plates shall bear the Afghanistan Campaign medal on the left side.
16 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged
17 for the personalization of license plates issued pursuant to this section. The plates shall
18 be clearly visible at night and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section
19 301.130. There shall be no limit on the number of license plates any person qualified
20 pursuant to this section may obtain so long as each set of license plates issued pursuant
21 to this section is issued for a vehicle owned solely or jointly by such person. License
22 plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable to any other person,
23 except that any registered co-owner of the motor vehicle may operate the motor vehicle
24 for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.