

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
**HOUSE BILL NO. 3175**  
**103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

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**AN ACT**

To amend chapter 301, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to persons with impaired or limited ability to communicate with law enforcement.

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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 301.287, to read as follows:

**301.287. 1. This section shall be known and referred to as "Mason's Law".**

2 **2. Beginning January 1, 2027, a resident of this state with a health condition or**  
3 **disability that limits or impairs the ability to effectively communicate with law**  
4 **enforcement may, at any time, apply to the department of revenue for a designation that**  
5 **shall be associated with the person's motor vehicle license plate number and available to**  
6 **law enforcement under the Missouri uniform law enforcement system (MULES)**  
7 **established under chapter 43.**

8 **3. The initial application, which shall be on a form prescribed by the department**  
9 **and made available on the department's website, shall be signed by a physician licensed**  
10 **under chapter 334, or a psychologist licensed under chapter 337, certifying that:**

11 **(1) The applicant or the applicant's child, parent, or spouse has a physical or**  
12 **mental health condition that is likely to impair the ability to effectively communicate**  
13 **with law enforcement; and**

14 **(2) The physician or psychologist has determined that the applicant or the**  
15 **applicant's child, parent, or spouse will have the communication impairment for at least**  
16 **five years.**

17 **4. Upon submission of an application and approval by the department, the**  
18 **department shall notify the Missouri state highway patrol of the resident's approved**

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.

19 application and the highway patrol shall prepare an entry in the Missouri uniform law  
20 enforcement system (MULES) that indicates that the applicant or the applicant's child,  
21 parent, or spouse has a physical or mental health condition that may impair the ability  
22 to effectively communicate with law enforcement. Such entry shall remain active for a  
23 period of five years, unless the applicant requests that such designation be removed  
24 from the system. Upon expiration of the five-year period, the designation in MULES  
25 may be reactivated upon the filing of a renewal form with the department signed by a  
26 physician licensed under chapter 334, or a psychologist licensed under chapter 337,  
27 certifying that:

28 (1) The applicant or the applicant's child, parent, or spouse has a physical or  
29 mental health condition that is likely to impair the ability to effectively communicate  
30 with law enforcement; and

31 (2) The physician or psychologist has determined that the applicant or the  
32 applicant's child, parent, or spouse will have the communication impairment for at least  
33 five years.

34 5. The department of public safety shall issue guidance and education materials  
35 to all law enforcement agencies in this state to promote awareness of the designation  
36 established under this section.

37 6. The department of revenue may promulgate all necessary rules and  
38 regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that  
39 term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this  
40 section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the  
41 provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter  
42 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly  
43 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul  
44 a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority  
45 and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2026, shall be invalid and void.

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