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8 **SENATE BILL No. 506**

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10 By Committee on Transportation

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13
14 AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; concerning certain distinctive license
15 plates; amending K.S.A. 8-147, **8-1,140, 8-1,141** and 8-1,142 and re-
16 pealing the existing sections.

17 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

18 **New Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2003, any owner**
19 **or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks of a gross**
20 **weight of 20,000 pounds or less, who is a resident of the state of**
21 **Kansas, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may**
22 **be issued one distinctive “United We Stand” license plate for each**
23 **such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plates shall be issued**
24 **for the same period of time as other license plates upon proper**
25 **registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in**
26 **K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto.**

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28 (b) Any person may make application for such distinctive li-
29 cense plates, not less than 60 days prior to such person’s renewal
30 of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the
31 director of vehicles. Application for the registration of a passenger
32 vehicle or truck and issuance of the license plates under this sec-
33 tion shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed
34 by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

35 (c) No registration or distinctive license plates issued under the
36 authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.

37 (d) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made
38 annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in
39 the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and
40 amendments thereto.

41 (e) The division of vehicles shall design the license plate to be
42 issued under the provisions of this section.

43 **New Sec. 2. (a) On and after January 1, 2003, any owner or**

1 lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks registered for
2 a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, who is a resident of Kansas,
3 upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued
4 one masonic lodge license plate for each such passenger vehicle
5 or truck. Such license plates shall be issued for the same time as
6 other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the
7 regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments
8 thereto, and the presentation of the annual logo use authorization
9 statement provided for in subsection (b).

10 (b) The masonic grande lodge of Kansas may authorize the use
11 of their logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this
12 section. Any royalty payment received pursuant to this section shall
13 be paid to the masonic grande lodge of Kansas and shall be used
14 to support the grande lodge of Kansas endowment fund. Any mo-
15 tor vehicle owner or lessee annually may apply to the masonic
16 grande lodge of Kansas for the use of such logo. Upon annual ap-
17 plication and payment to the masonic grande lodge of Kansas in
18 an amount of \$10 as a logo use royalty payment for each license
19 plate to be issued, the masonic grande lodge of Kansas shall issue
20 to the motor vehicle owner or lessee, without further charge, a
21 logo use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the
22 motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time of registration.

23 (c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section
24 may make application for such plates not less than 60 days prior
25 to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed
26 and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for
27 such license plates shall provide the annual logo use authorization
28 statement provided for in subsection (b). Application for registra-
29 tion of a passenger vehicle or truck and issuance of the license
30 plate under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a
31 manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms fur-
32 nished by the director.

33 (d) No registration or license plate issued under this section
34 shall be transferable to any other person.

35 (e) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made
36 annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in
37 the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and
38 amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to
39 any applicant until such applicant provides the annual logo use
40 authorization statement provided for in subsection (b). If such logo
41 use authorization statement is not presented at the time of regis-
42 tration, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-
43 143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the

1 county treasurer of such person's residence.

2 (f) The masonic grande lodge of Kansas shall:

3 (1) Pay the initial cost of silk-screening for license plates au-
4 thorized by this section; and

5 (2) provide to all county treasurers a toll-free telephone num-
6 ber where applicants can call the masonic grande lodge of Kansas
7 for information concerning the application process or the status of
8 their license plate application.

9 (g) The masonic grande lodge of Kansas, with the approval of
10 the director of vehicles and subject to the availability of materials
11 and equipment, shall design a plate to be issued under the provi-
12 sions of this section.

13 **New Sec. 3.** (a) On and after January 1, 2003, any owner or
14 lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks registered for
15 a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, who is a resident of Kansas,
16 upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued
17 one drive for the cure license plate for each such passenger vehicle
18 or truck. Such license plates shall be issued for the same time as
19 other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the
20 regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments
21 thereto, and the presentation of the annual logo use authorization
22 statement provided for in subsection (b).

23 (b) The secretary of health and environment may authorize the
24 use of the logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this
25 section. Any royalty payment received pursuant to this section shall
26 be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provi-
27 sions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of
28 each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire
29 amount in the state treasury to the credit of the breast and cervical
30 cancer program and detection fund. Any motor vehicle owner or
31 lessee annually may apply to the secretary for the use of such logo.
32 Upon annual application and payment to the secretary in an
33 amount of \$50 as a logo use royalty payment for each license plate
34 to be issued, the secretary shall issue to the motor vehicle owner
35 or lessee, without further charge, a logo use authorization state-
36 ment, which shall be presented by the motor vehicle owner or
37 lessee at the time of registration.

38 (c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section
39 may make application for such plates not less than 60 days prior
40 to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed
41 and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for
42 such license plates shall provide the annual logo use authorization
43 statement provided for in subsection (b). Application for registra-

1 tion of a passenger vehicle or truck and issuance of the license
2 plate under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a
3 manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms fur-
4 nished by the director.

5 (d) No registration or license plate issued under this section
6 shall be transferable to any other person.

7 (e) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made
8 annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in
9 the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and
10 amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to
11 any applicant until such applicant provides the annual logo use
12 authorization statement provided for in subsection (b). If such logo
13 use authorization statement is not presented at the time of regis-
14 tration, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-
15 143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the
16 county treasurer of such person's residence.

17 (f) The secretary of health and environment shall:

18 (1) Pay the initial cost of silk-screening for license plates au-
19 thorized by this section; and

20 (2) provide to all county treasurers a toll-free telephone num-
21 ber where applicants can call the secretary of health and environ-
22 ment for information concerning the application process or the
23 status of their license plate application.

24 (g) The secretary of health and environment, with the approval
25 of the director of vehicles and subject to the availability of mate-
26 rials and equipment, shall design a plate to be issued under the
27 provisions of this section.

28 [New Sec. 4. (a) On and after January 1, 2003, any owner or
29 lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks of a gross weight
30 of 20,000 pounds or less, who is a resident of the state of Kansas,
31 and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in
32 accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of
33 revenue, that such person is a firefighter, upon compliance with
34 the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license
35 plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck designating such
36 person as a firefighter. Such license plates shall be issued for the
37 same period of time as other license plates upon proper registra-
38 tion and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A.
39 8-143, and amendments thereto.

40 [(b) Any person who is a firefighter may make application for
41 such distinctive license plates, not less than 60 days prior to such
42 person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and
43 furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for the

1 **distinctive license plates shall furnish the director with proof as**
2 **the director shall require that the applicant is a firefighter. Appli-**
3 **cation for the registration of a passenger vehicle or truck and is-**
4 **suance of the license plates under this section shall be made by**
5 **the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of ve-**
6 **hicles upon forms furnished by the director.**

7 **[(c) No registration or distinctive license plates issued under**
8 **the authority of this section shall be transferable to any other**
9 **person.**

10 **[(d) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made**
11 **annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in**
12 **the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and**
13 **amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to**
14 **any applicant until such applicant has filed with the director a form**
15 **as provided in subsection (b). If such form is not filed, the applicant**
16 **shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments**
17 **thereto, and return the distinctive license plates to the county trea-**
18 **surer of such person's residence.]**

19 ~~Section 1.~~ **Sec. 4.** [5.] K.S.A. 8-147 is hereby amended to read as
20 follows: 8-147. As used in this section "license plate" means the plate
21 used to externally evidence registration of a vehicle under chapter 8 of
22 Kans

23 as Statutes Annotated. Prior to November 1 of each year, the director of
24 vehicles shall furnish the secretary of revenue with complete and detailed
25 specifications for the manufacture of all license plates and registration
26 decals, together with the number required for delivery in the succeeding
27 year for use during the following year, and the state corporation com-
28 mission shall furnish the secretary of revenue with complete and detailed
29 specifications for the manufacture of identification tags together with the
30 number required for delivery in the succeeding year for use in the fol-
31 lowing year. The secretary of revenue shall cause to be manufactured all
32 license plates and registration decals and state corporation commission
33 identification tags based on such specifications and estimates. For such
34 purpose, the secretary of revenue shall enter into a contract for the man-
35 ufacture of license plates, tags and decals with any organization or insti-
36 tution designated in K.S.A. 39-1208, and amendments thereto. Any such
37 contract may provide that the secretary of revenue shall furnish or cause
38 to be furnished the materials and supplies necessary for the manufacture
39 and distribution of license plates, tags and decals if, in the opinion of the
40 secretary of revenue, a reduction in the cost of manufacturing and dis-
41 tribution of the license plates, tags and decals under such contract will
42 be achieved. Subject to the foregoing, the cost to the state for the man-
43 ufacture of the license plates, tags and decals pursuant to any contract

1 entered into under this section shall be substantially equivalent to such
2 costs under prior contracts, with the cost of license plates increased in
3 the amount of the cost of coating with reflective material, but any such
4 contract shall not be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3739, and
5 amendments thereto. Except as authorized by other provisions of law,
6 license plates, beginning in the year in which new license plates are issued
7 pursuant to K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto, shall be lettered,
8 numbered and designed as provided in this section. Each license plate
9 shall contain a combination of three letters followed by a combination of
10 three numerals. The secretary of revenue shall design decals to be affixed
11 to the license plates to identify the county by two letters chosen from the
12 name of the county distinctly indicative of the name of the county in
13 which the vehicle is registered and the date registration is to expire. The
14 letters and numerals of such license plates shall be in such contrast of
15 colors to the background of the license plate as to make such letters and
16 numerals easily read. As new license plates are issued, the face of every
17 license plate shall be completely coated with a reflective material. The
18 reflectorized material shall be of such nature as to provide effective and
19 dependable performance in the promotion of highway safety and vehicle
20 identification throughout the service period for which the license plates
21 are issued. *Except for license plates issued under K.S.A. 8-161, 8-161b,*
22 *8-177c and 8-1,145, and amendments thereto,* the sum of \$.50 shall be
23 added to the cost of each reflectorized license plate. The director shall
24 change the color of such license plates every time new license plates are
25 issued under subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto.
26 The quantity of license plates and registration decals to be furnished each
27 county shall be computed upon the basis of the number of motor vehicles
28 registered and reregistered in such county for the preceding year, and
29 additional license plates and decals shall be furnished as required. Any
30 contract entered into pursuant to this section for the manufacture of
31 license plates and decals shall provide that the license plates and decals,
32 other than prorate license plates and prorate backing plates, shall be
33 shipped directly to the treasurer of the county where they are to be used.
34 Any such contract for the manufacture of state corporation commission
35 identification tags shall provide that such tags shall be shipped directly to
36 the state corporation commission.

37 **Sec. ~~5~~ [6.] On and after January 1, 2003, K.S.A. 8-1,140 is**
38 **hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,140. (a) Any owner or les-**
39 **see of one or more passenger vehicles ~~or~~, trucks of a gross weight**
40 **of 20,000 pounds or less *or motorcycles*, who is a resident of the**
41 **state of Kansas, and who submits satisfactory proof to the director**
42 **of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by**
43 **the secretary of revenue, that such person was awarded a purple**

1 heart medal by the United States government for wounds received
2 in military or naval combat against an armed enemy of the United
3 States, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be
4 issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle
5 ~~or~~, truck *or motorcycle* designating such person as a recipient of the
6 purple heart medal. Such license plates shall be issued for the same
7 period of time as other license plates upon proper registration and
8 payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and
9 amendments thereto.

10 (b) Any recipient of the purple heart medal may make appli-
11 cation for the distinctive license plates, not less than 60 days prior
12 to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed
13 and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for
14 the distinctive license plates shall furnish the director with such
15 proof as the director shall require that the applicant was a recip-
16 ient of the purple heart medal. Application for the registration of
17 a passenger vehicle ~~or~~, truck *or motorcycle* and issuance of the li-
18 cense plates under this section shall be made by the owner or les-
19 see in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms
20 furnished by the director.

21 (c) No registration or distinctive license plates issued under the
22 authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.

23 (d) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made
24 annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in
25 the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and
26 amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to
27 any applicant until such applicant has filed with the director a form
28 as provided in subsection (b). If such form is not filed, the applicant
29 shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments
30 thereto, and return the distinctive license plates to the county trea-
31 surer of such person's residence.

32 Sec. ~~6~~ [7.] On and after January 1, 2003, K.S.A. 8-1,141 is
33 hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,141. (a) Any new distinctive
34 license plate authorized for issuance on and after July 1, 1994, shall
35 be subject to the personalized license plate fee prescribed by sub-
36 section (c) of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto. This section
37 shall not apply to any distinctive license plate authorized prior to
38 July 1, 1994.

39 (b) The director of vehicles shall not issue any new distinctive
40 license plate authorized for issuance on and after July 1, 1995,
41 unless there is a guarantee of an initial issuance of at least 500
42 license plates.

43 (c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to distinctive

1 **license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,145, and**
2 **amendments thereto.**

3 **(d) The provisions of subsection (a), shall not apply to distinc-**
4 **tive license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,146 or**
5 **8-1,148, and amendments thereto, or K.S.A. 8-1,148.**

6 *(e) The provisions of subsection (b) shall not apply to distinctive li-*
7 *cence plates issued under the provisions of section 1, and amendments*
8 *thereto.*

9 Sec. ~~2~~, ~~7~~, [8.] K.S.A. 8-1,142 is hereby amended to read as follows:
10 8-1,142. (a) As used in this section, “educational institution” means:

11 (1) Any state educational institution under the control and supervi-
12 sion of the state board of regents;

13 (2) any ~~qualified institution as defined in K.S.A. 72-6107, and amend-~~
14 ~~ments thereto~~ municipal university;

15 (3) *any not-for-profit independent institution of higher education*
16 *which is accredited by the north central association of colleges and sec-*
17 *ondary schools accrediting agency based on its requirements as of April*
18 *1, 1985, is operated independently and not controlled or administered by*
19 *the state or any agency or subdivision thereof, maintains open enrollment*
20 *and the main campus or principal place of operation of which is located*
21 *in Kansas;*

22 ~~(3)~~ (4) any community college organized and operating under the
23 laws of this state; and

24 ~~(4)~~ (5) Haskell Indian Nations university.

25 (b) Any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks
26 registered for a gross weight of not more than 20,000 pounds who is a
27 resident of Kansas, upon compliance with the provisions of this section,
28 may be issued one educational institution license plate for each such pas-
29 senger vehicle or truck. Such license plates shall be issued for the same
30 period of time as other license plates upon proper registration and pay-
31 ment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amend-
32 ments thereto, plus the payment of an additional fee of \$5 for each plate,
33 and the presentation of the annual emblem use authorization statement
34 provided for in subsection (c).

35 (c) Any educational institution may authorize through its officially
36 recognized alumni association or foundation the use of such institution’s
37 official emblems to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section.
38 Any royalty payment to such alumni association or foundation derived
39 from this section, except reasonable administrative costs, shall be used
40 for recognition of academic achievement or excellence subject to the ap-
41 proval of the chancellor or president of the educational institution. Any
42 motor vehicle owner or lessee may annually apply to the alumni associ-
43 ation or foundation for the use of the institution’s emblems. Upon annual

1 application and payment to the alumni association or foundation in an
2 amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 as an emblem use royalty
3 payment for each educational institution license plate to be issued, the
4 alumni association or foundation shall issue to the motor vehicle owner
5 or lessee, without further charge, an emblem use authorization statement,
6 which shall be presented by the motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time
7 of registration.

8 (d) Any applicant for an educational institution license plate may
9 make application for such plates not less than 60 days prior to such per-
10 son's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by
11 the director of vehicles, and any applicant for the educational institution
12 license plates shall provide the annual emblem use authorization state-
13 ment provided for in subsection (c). Application for registration of a pas-
14 senger vehicle or truck and issuance of the license plates under this sec-
15 tion shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the
16 director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

17 (e) No registration or educational institution license plate issued un-
18 der this section shall be transferable to any other person.

19 (f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually,
20 upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (b), in the manner
21 prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto.
22 No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such ap-
23 plicant provides the annual emblem use authorization statement provided
24 for in subsection (c). If such emblem use authorization statement is not
25 presented at the time of registration, the applicant shall be required to
26 comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the ed-
27 ucational institution license plates to the county treasurer of such person's
28 residence.

29 (g) The director of vehicles shall not issue any educational institution
30 license plates for any educational institution, unless such educational in-
31 stitution's alumni association or foundation guarantees the initial issuance
32 of at least 500 license plates.

33 (h) Each educational institution's alumni association or foundation
34 shall:

35 (1) Pay the initial cost of silk-screening for such educational license
36 plates; and

37 (2) provide to all county treasurers a toll-free telephone number
38 where applicants can call the alumni association or foundation for infor-
39 mation concerning the application process or the status of their license
40 plate application.

41 (i) Each educational institution's alumni association or foundation,
42 with the approval of the director of vehicles and subject to the availability
43 of materials and equipment, shall design a license plate to be issued under

1 the provisions of this section.

2 Sec. ~~8~~, ~~9~~ [9.] K.S.A. 8-147 and 8-1,142 are hereby repealed.

3 **Sec. ~~9~~ [10.] On and after January 1, 2003, K.S.A. 8-1,140 and**
4 **8-1,141 are hereby repealed.**

5 Sec. ~~4~~, ~~10~~ [11.] This act shall take effect and be in force from and
6 after its publication in the statute book.

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