SENATE BILL No. 451

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to one-way glass and sun screening devices; making an exemption for certain medical reasons; amending K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 8-1749a and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 8-1749a is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1749a. (a) No motor vehicle required to be registered in this state and which is operated on the highways of this state shall be equipped with one-way glass or any sun screening device, as defined in K.S.A. 8-1749b, and amendments thereto, and used in conjunction with windshields, side wings, side windows or rear windows that do not meet the following requirements:

- (1) A sun screening device when used in conjunction with the windshield shall be nonreflective and shall not be red, yellow or amber in color. A sun screening device shall be used only along the top of the windshield and shall not extend downward beyond the AS1 line which is clearly defined and marked;
- (2) a sun screening device when used in conjunction with the side wings or side windows located at the immediate right and left of the driver, the side windows behind the driver and the rear most window shall be nonreflective; and
- (3) the total light transmission shall not be less than 35% when a sun screening device is used in conjunction with other existing sun screening devices.
- (b) (1) Subsection (a)(3) shall not apply to a window of a law enforcement motor vehicle that is clearly identified as such by words or other symbols on the outside of the vehicle.
- (2) Subsection (a)(3) shall not apply to a window of a motor vehicle owned or operated by a Kansas resident who has a valid medical exemption certificate pursuant to this paragraph or a motor vehicle owned or operated by a person who is responsible for the transportation of such Kansas resident. A medical exemption certificate may be prepared on a form furnished by the division of vehicles by any Kansas resident who has any condition or impairment which requires a limited exposure to light. Such certificate shall contain a written statement of such condition or

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1 impairment from a person licensed to practice the healing arts in any 2 state, a licensed optometrist, an advanced practice registered nurse 3 licensed under K.S.A. 65-1131, and amendments thereto, a licensed 4 physician assistant or a Christian Science practitioner listed in The Christian Science Journal. Such certificate shall be valid for two years, or 5 6 any shorter period specified by the approving medical professional. A 7 valid medical exemption certificate shall be carried by such person when 8 the motor vehicle being operated by or used for the transportation of such 9 person is in use. A medical exemption certificate shall be nontransferable. The director of vehicles shall promulgate rules and regulations to 10 implement this paragraph on or before January 1, 2013. 11

- (c) The superintendent of the highway patrol may adopt such rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
- (d) This section shall not prohibit labels, stickers or other informational signs that are required or permitted by state law.
- (e) No motor vehicle required to be registered in this state which is operated on the highways of this state shall be equipped with head lamps which are covered with any sun screening device, adhesive film or other glaze or application which, when such lamps are not in operation, is highly reflective or otherwise nontransparent.
- (f) Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 8-1749a is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.