

**HOUSE BILL No. 2117**

By Committee on Transportation

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1 AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to distinctive license plates;  
2 providing for the knights of Columbus distinctive license plate.

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

5 Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2020, any owner or lessee of  
6 one or more passenger vehicles or trucks registered for a gross weight of  
7 20,000 pounds or less, who is a resident of Kansas, upon compliance with  
8 the provisions of this section, may be issued one knights of Columbus  
9 license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plates  
10 shall be issued for the same time as other license plates upon proper  
11 registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-  
12 143, and amendments thereto, and either the payment to the county  
13 treasurer of the logo use royalty payment established by the knights of  
14 Columbus Kansas state council or the presentation of the annual logo use  
15 authorization statement provided for in subsection (b).

16 (b) The knights of Columbus Kansas state council may authorize the  
17 use of its logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section.  
18 Any royalty payment received pursuant to this section shall be used to  
19 support the knights of Columbus Kansas state council. Any motor vehicle  
20 owner or lessee annually may apply to the knights of Columbus Kansas  
21 state council for the use of such logo. Upon annual application and  
22 payment to either: (1) The knights of Columbus Kansas state council in an  
23 amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 as a logo use royalty  
24 payment for each license plate to be issued, the knights of Columbus  
25 Kansas state council shall issue to the motor vehicle owner or lessee,  
26 without further charge, a logo use authorization statement, which shall be  
27 presented by the motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time of registration;  
28 or (2) the county treasurer of the logo use royalty payment for each license  
29 plate to be issued.

30 (c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may  
31 make application for such plates not less than 60 days prior to such  
32 person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished  
33 by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for such license plate shall  
34 either provide the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in  
35 subsection (b) or pay to the county treasurer the logo use royalty payment  
36 established by the knights of Columbus Kansas state council. Application

1 for registration 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 manner  
3 prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

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

6 (e) The director of vehicles may transfer the knights of Columbus  
7 license plates from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

8 (f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually,  
9 upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in the manner  
10 prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No renewal of  
11 registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant either  
12 provides to the county treasurer either the annual logo use authorization  
13 statement provided for in subsection (b) or the payment of the logo use  
14 royalty payment as established by the knights of Columbus Kansas state  
15 council. If such logo use authorization statement is not presented at the  
16 time of registration or faxed by the knights of Columbus Kansas state  
17 council, or the annual logo use royalty payment is not made to the county  
18 treasurer at the time of registration, the applicant shall be required to  
19 comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license  
20 plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

21 (g) The knights of Columbus Kansas state council shall:

22 (1) Pay the initial cost of design for license plates authorized by this  
23 section; and

24 (2) provide to all county treasurers an electronic mail address or toll-  
25 free telephone number where applicants can call the knights of Columbus  
26 Kansas state council for information concerning the application process or  
27 the status of their license plate application.

28 (h) The knights of Columbus Kansas state council, with the approval  
29 of the director of vehicles and subject to the availability of materials and  
30 equipment, shall design a plate to be issued under the provisions of this  
31 section.

32 (i) As a condition of receiving the knights of Columbus license plate  
33 and any subsequent registration renewal of such plate, the applicant must  
34 provide consent to the division authorizing the division's release of motor  
35 vehicle record information, including the applicant's name, address, logo  
36 use royalty payment amount, plate number and vehicle type to knights of  
37 Columbus Kansas state council and the state treasurer.

38 (j) Annual logo use royalty payments collected by county treasurers  
39 under this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance  
40 with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon  
41 receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire  
42 amount in the state treasury to the credit of the knights of Columbus  
43 royalty fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury and shall be

1 administered by the state treasurer. All expenditures from the knights of  
2 Columbus royalty fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation  
3 acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant  
4 to vouchers approved by the state treasurer or the state treasurer's  
5 designee. Payments from the knights of Columbus royalty fund to the  
6 appropriate designee of the knights of Columbus Kansas state council shall  
7 be made on a monthly basis.

8       Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
9 publication in the statute book.