

HOUSE BILL No. 2015

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Proposed Amendments to HB 2015
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1 AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to distinctive license plates;
2 providing distinctive license plates for current and veteran members of
3 the United States army, navy, marine corps, air force and coast guard;
4 amending K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-1,141 and 8-1,147 and repealing the
5 existing sections.
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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 New Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2022, any owner or lessee
9 of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000
10 pounds or less or motorcycles, who is a resident of Kansas, and who
11 submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with
12 rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, that such person
13 is currently serving in the United States army or has separated from the
14 United States army and was honorably discharged, upon compliance with
15 the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license plate
16 for each such passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle designating such
17 person as a current member or veteran of the United States army. Such
18 license plate shall be issued for the same period of time as other license
19 plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as
20 provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto.

21 (b) Any person who is a current member or veteran of the United
22 States army may make application for such distinctive license plate, not
23 less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a
24 form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any
25 applicant for the distinctive license plate shall furnish the director with
26 proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a current member or
27 veteran of the United States army. Application for the registration of a
28 passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle and issuance of the license plate
29 under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner
30 prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

31 (c) No registration or distinctive license plate issued under the
32 authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.

33 (d) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made
34 annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in the
35 manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No
36 renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant

1 authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.

2 (d) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made
3 annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in the
4 manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No
5 renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant
6 has filed with the director a form as provided in subsection (b). If such
7 form is not filed, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-
8 143, and amendments thereto, and return the distinctive license plate to the
9 county treasurer of such person's residence.

Insert Attachment 1 as
Sec. 6.

10 Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-1,141 is hereby amended to read as
11 follows: 8-1,141. (a) Any new distinctive license plate authorized for
12 issuance on and after July 1, 1994, shall be subject to the personalized
13 license plate fee prescribed by K.S.A. 8-132(c), and amendments thereto.
14 This section shall not apply to any distinctive license plate authorized prior
15 to July 1, 1994.

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

19 (c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to distinctive license
20 plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,145, *and amendments*
21 *thereto*, or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-177d, 8-1,163, 8-1,166, 8-1,185, 8-1,186,
22 8-1,187 or 8-1,188, *section 1, section 2, section 3, section 4* ~~or section 5~~,
23 and amendments thereto.

or section 6

24 (d) The provisions of subsection (a), shall not apply to distinctive
25 license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,146 or 8-1,148,
26 and amendments thereto, or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-1,153, 8-1,158 or 8-
27 1,161, and amendments thereto.

28 (e) The provisions of subsection (f) shall not apply to distinctive
29 license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-1,160
30 and 8-1,183, and amendments thereto, except that the division shall delay
31 the manufacturing and issuance of such distinctive license plate until the
32 division has received not less than 1,000 orders for such plate, including
33 payment of the personalized license plate fee required under subsection
34 (a). Upon certification by the director of vehicles to the director of
35 accounts and reports that not less than 1,000 paid orders for such plate
36 have been received, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer
37 \$40,000 from the state highway fund to the distinctive license plate fund.

38 (f) (1) Any person or organization sponsoring any distinctive license
39 plate authorized by the legislature ~~on and after July 1, 2004~~, shall submit
40 to the division of vehicles a nonrefundable amount not to exceed \$20,000,
41 to defray the division's cost for developing such distinctive license plate.

42 (2) All moneys received under this subsection shall be remitted by the
43 secretary of revenue to the state treasurer in accordance with the

1 distinctive license plate.

2 (j) In addition to any residency requirements for all distinctive license
3 plates, any person not a resident of Kansas, serving as a member of the
4 armed forces stationed in this state shall be eligible to apply for any
5 distinctive license plate as if the individual was a resident of this state.
6 Such person shall be eligible to renew the distinctive license plate
7 registration as long as the person is still stationed in this state at the time
8 the registration is renewed.

9 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-1,147 is hereby amended to read as
10 follows: 8-1,147. In the event of the death of any person issued distinctive
11 license plates under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-161, 8-177a, 8-177c, 8-
12 1,139, 8-1,140, 8-1,145 or 8-1,146 or K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-177d, 8-1,163,
13 8-1,166, 8-1,185, 8-1,186, 8-1,187 ~~or~~, 8-1,188, *section 1, section 2,*
14 *section 3, section 4 or section 5,* and amendments thereto, the surviving
15 spouse or other family member, if there is no surviving spouse, shall be
16 entitled to possession of any such distinctive license plates. Such license
17 plates shall not be displayed on any vehicle unless otherwise authorized by
18 statute.

or section 6

19 Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-1,141 and 8-1,147 are hereby repealed.

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

And renumber sections
accordingly

ATTACHMENT 1

New Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2022, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less or motorcycles, who is a resident of Kansas, and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, that such person is currently serving in the United States space force or has separated from the United States space force and was honorably discharged, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle designating such person as a current member or veteran of the United States space force. Such license plate shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto.

(b) Any person who is a current member or veteran of the United States space force may make application for such distinctive license plate, not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for the distinctive license plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a current member or veteran of the United States space force. Application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle and issuance of the license plate under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

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

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