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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Transportation
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: January 20, 2022
Subject: Bill Brief – HB 2476

HB 2476 creates distinctive license plates for Silver Star Medal and Bronze Star Medal recipients.

Sections 1 and 2 outline the procedures to apply for and obtain the distinctive license plate for Silver Star Medal and Bronze Star Medal recipients. Anyone requesting these distinctive license plates will be required to submit satisfactory proof to the Director of Vehicles that they were awarded a Silver Star Medal or Bronze Star Medal. License plates issued pursuant to these sections are not transferrable to any other person.

Section 3 amends K.S.A 8-1,141 to exempt the two license plates from the personalized license plate fee in K.S.A. 8-132(c) as well as the requirement for a guaranteed initial issuance of at least 250 license plates.

Section 4 amends K.S.A. 8-1,147 to provide that in the event of the death of any person issued one of these distinctive license plates, the surviving spouse or other family member shall be entitled to keep possession of the distinctive license plate, but not display on any vehicle.

If enacted, the provisions of HB 2476 become effective July 1, 2022, however the plates will not be available until January 1, 2023.