

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. PRESIDENT and MR. SPEAKER: Your committee on conference on House amendments to **SB 359** submits the following report:

The Senate accedes to all House amendments to the bill, and your committee on conference further agrees to amend the bill as printed with House Committee of the Whole amendments, as follows:

On page 11, following line 22, by inserting:

"New Sec. 8. (a) On and after January 1, 2025, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks registered for a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, who is a resident of Kansas, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one first city of Kansas license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plate shall be issued for the same 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, and either the payment to the county treasurer of the logo use royalty payment or the presentation of the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b).

(b) The Leavenworth county historical society may authorize the use of the organization's logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee may apply annually to the Leavenworth county historical society for use of such logo. Such owner or lessee shall pay an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 to the Leavenworth county historical society as a logo use royalty payment for each such license plate to be issued. The logo use royalty payment shall be paid to either:

(1) The Leavenworth county historical society, which shall issue to the motor vehicle owner or lessee, without further charge, a logo use authorization statement that shall be presented by the motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time of registration; or

(2) the county treasurer.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such 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 such license plate shall either provide the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b) or pay to the county treasurer the logo use royalty payment. Application for registration of a passenger vehicle or truck 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.

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

(e) The director of vehicles may transfer a first city of Kansas license plate from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

(f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant provides to the county treasurer either the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b) or the payment of the annual royalty payment. If such statement is not presented at the time of registration or sent by the Leavenworth county historical society, or the annual royalty payment is not made to the county treasurer, the applicant shall be required to comply with the provisions of K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(g) The Leavenworth county historical society shall provide to all county treasurers an electronic mail address where applicants can contact the Leavenworth county historical society

for information concerning the application process or the status of such applicant's license plate application.

(h) The Leavenworth county historical society, with the approval of the director of vehicles, shall design a plate to be issued under the provisions of this section.

(i) As a condition of receiving the first city of Kansas license plate and any subsequent registration renewal of such license plate, the applicant shall consent to the division authorizing the division's release of motor vehicle record information, including the applicant's name, address, royalty payment amount, plate number and vehicle type, to the Leavenworth county historical society and the state treasurer.

(j) The collection and remittance of annual royalty payments by the county treasurer shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,141(h), and amendments thereto.

New Sec. 9. (a) Any license plate design that has not been approved for production and issuance by the division of vehicles by July 1, 2024, shall designate the county of registration for the motor vehicle that will bear such license plate. The director of vehicles may either print the horizontal abbreviation of the county of registration directly on the license plate or affix to the license plate by a decal the abbreviation of the county of registration. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), the provisions of this section shall apply to:

(1) Any passenger vehicle or truck as defined in K.S.A. 8-126, and amendments thereto, that is subject to taxation pursuant to K.S.A. 79-5101 et seq., and amendments thereto;
or

(2) any vehicle that displays a distinctive or personalized license plate.

(b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to distinctive license plates designating a person as a recipient of the congressional medal of honor issued pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,145, and amendments thereto.";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 5, by striking "and" and inserting a comma; in line 6, before the semicolon by inserting "and the first city of Kansas license plate; requiring certain license plates to have the county of registration for the motor vehicle identified on the license plate";

And your committee on conference recommends the adoption of this report.

Conferees on part of House

Conferees on part of Senate