

## HOUSE BILL No. 2570

By Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security

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1 AN ACT concerning veterans; relating to license plates for disabled  
2 veterans; pertaining to parking in certain public parking garages;  
3 amending K.S.A. 8-161 and repealing the existing section.  
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. K.S.A. 8-161 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-161.

7 (a) Any disabled veteran as defined in K.S.A. 8-160, and amendments  
8 thereto, who resides in Kansas and who makes application to the director  
9 of vehicles on a form furnished by the director for registration of a motor  
10 vehicle that is a passenger vehicle or a truck with a gross weight of not  
11 more than 20,000 pounds and is owned or leased and used by such veteran  
12 may have such motor vehicle registered, and the director shall issue a  
13 distinctive license plate for it. Such license plate shall be issued for the  
14 same period of time as other license plates are issued. Such registration  
15 shall be made and such license plates issued free of charge to the disabled  
16 veteran. The director of vehicles shall also issue to the disabled veteran an  
17 individual identification card which must be carried by the disabled  
18 veteran when the motor vehicle being operated by the disabled veteran or  
19 used for the transportation of such disabled veteran is parked in a  
20 designated accessible parking space.

21 (b) Any Kansas resident who owns or leases a motor vehicle and who  
22 is responsible for the transportation of a disabled veteran or any resident  
23 disabled veteran desiring a distinctive license plate for a vehicle other than  
24 a motor vehicle owned or leased by the veteran may make application to  
25 the director of vehicles for such a license plate. Such license plate shall be  
26 issued for the same period of time as other license plates are issued. There  
27 shall be no fee for such license plates in addition to the regular registration  
28 fee.

29 (c) (1) The director of vehicles shall design a special license plate to  
30 be issued as provided in this act. No registration or license plates issued  
31 under this act shall be transferable to any other person. No registration  
32 under this act shall be made until the applicant has filed with the director  
33 acceptable proof that the applicant is a disabled veteran as defined by  
34 K.S.A. 8-160, and amendments thereto, or is responsible for the  
35 transportation of such veteran.

36 (2) Motor vehicles displaying the distinctive license plates provided

1 for in this act shall be permitted to:

2 (A) Park in any parking space on public or private property which is  
3 clearly marked as being reserved for the use of persons with a disability or  
4 persons responsible for the transportation of a person with a disability,  
5 except a parking space on private property which is clearly marked as  
6 being reserved for the use of a specified person with a disability; ~~or;~~

7 (B) park without charge in any metered zone and shall be exempt  
8 from any time limitation imposed on parking in any zone designated for  
9 parking, during the hours in which parking is permitted in any city; *or*

10 (C) *park without charge in any parking space in a public parking*  
11 *facility if such parking space is clearly marked as being reserved for the*  
12 *use of persons with a disability or persons responsible for the*  
13 *transportation of a person with a disability and such parking facility*  
14 *employs persons who are parking attendants to collect payment. Any*  
15 *parking occurring under the provisions of this subparagraph shall also*  
16 *comply with all regulations and restrictions posted at the entrance of the*  
17 *public parking facility by its management.*

18 (3) Any person who willfully and falsely represents that such person  
19 has the qualifications to obtain the distinctive license plates provided for  
20 by this section, or who falsely utilizes the parking privilege accorded by  
21 this section, shall be guilty of an unclassified misdemeanor punishable by  
22 a fine of not more than \$250.

23 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 8-161 is hereby repealed.

24 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
25 publication in the statute book.