

HOUSE BILL No. 2529

By Representatives French, Clark, Collins, Dodson, Ellis, T. Johnson, Neelly and Proctor

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1 AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to military veteran
2 distinctive license plates; allowing veteran license plate applicants to
3 provide a DD214 form, a DD form 2 (Retired) or a Kansas veteran
4 driver's license as proof of veteran status; amending K.S.A. 2021 Supp.
5 8-1,146 and repealing the existing section.
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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 Section 1. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1,146 is hereby amended to read as
9 follows: 8-1,146. (a) Any owner or lessee of one or more passenger
10 vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, motorcycles or
11 travel trailers; who is a resident of the state of Kansas, and ~~who~~ submits
12 satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles *as provided in subsection (c);*
13 ~~in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of~~
14 ~~revenue~~, that such person has proof of: (1) Having served and is
15 designated as a veteran, and has had an honorable discharge from the
16 United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, *space force*
17 or merchant marines; or (2) currently serving in the United States army,
18 navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, *space force* or merchant
19 marines, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be
20 issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck,
21 motorcycle or travel trailer designating such person as an United States
22 military veteran. Such license ~~plates~~ *plate* shall be issued for the same
23 period of time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment
24 of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments
25 thereto.

26 (b) ~~On and after January 1, 2005,~~ Any person issued a license plate
27 under this section may request a decal for each license plate indicating the
28 appropriate military branch in which the person served or is currently
29 serving.

30 (b)(c) Any person who is a veteran or current member of the United
31 States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, *space force* or
32 merchant marines may make application for such distinctive license ~~plates~~
33 *plate*, not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration
34 date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, ~~and~~
35 Any applicant for the distinctive license ~~plates~~ *plate* shall furnish the

1 director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a
2 veteran or current member of the United States army, navy, air force,
3 marine corps, coast guard, *space force* or merchant marines. *As proof of*
4 *military veteran status, an applicant may provide a DD214 form, a DD*
5 *form 2 (Retired) or a Kansas driver's license with a veteran designation*
6 *pursuant to K.S.A. 8-243(e), and amendments thereto.* Application for the
7 registration of a passenger vehicle, truck, motorcycle or travel trailer and
8 issuance of the license plates under this section shall be made by the owner
9 or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms
10 furnished by the director.

11 ~~(e)~~(d) No registration or distinctive license plates issued under the
12 authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.

13 ~~(d)~~(e) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made
14 annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in ~~subsection (a)~~ *K.S.A. 8-*
15 *143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in ~~subsection~~*
16 ~~(b)~~ *of K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto.* No renewal of
17 registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant has filed
18 with the director a form as provided in subsection ~~(b)~~ (c). If such form is
19 not filed, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and
20 amendments thereto, and return the distinctive license plates to the county
21 treasurer of such person's residence.

22 ~~(e)~~(f) A fee of \$2 shall be paid for each decal issued under subsection
23 (a). The director of vehicles shall design such decals. Such decals shall be
24 affixed to the license plate in the location required by the director.

25 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1,146 is hereby repealed.

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