

HOUSE BILL No. 2476

AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to distinctive license plates; providing for the silver star medal, bronze star medal, city of Hutchinson and daughters of the American revolution distinctive license plates; providing for four distinctive license plates for the Kansas department of wildlife and parks; allowing the printing of the international symbol of access for disabled veteran distinctive license plates and certain parking privileges for disabled veterans who meet certain physical disability definitions; allowing veteran distinctive license plate applicants to provide a DD214 form, DD form 2 (Retired) or a Kansas veteran driver's license as proof of veteran status; amending K.S.A. 32-901 and K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-161, 8-1,141, 8-1,146 and 8-1,147 and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) On and after January 1, 2023, 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 submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, that such person was awarded a silver star medal by the United States government may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle designating such person as a silver star medal recipient. 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 silver star medal recipient 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. Any applicant for the distinctive license plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant was a silver star medal recipient. Application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle and the 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 K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and 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.

New Sec. 2. (a) On and after January 1, 2023, 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 submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, that such person was awarded a bronze star medal by the United States government may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle designating such person as a bronze star medal recipient. 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 bronze star medal recipient 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. Any applicant for the distinctive license plate shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant was a bronze star medal recipient. Application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle and the 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 K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and 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.

New Sec. 3. (a) On and after January 1, 2023, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, motorcycles 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 a Kansas department of wildlife and parks license plate established pursuant to this section for each such passenger vehicle, motorcycle 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 the payment to the county treasurer of the wildlife and parks license plate royalty payment established pursuant to this section.

(b) Any applicant or renewal for a Kansas department of wildlife and parks license plate authorized by this section shall make an annual payment of a wildlife and parks license plate royalty payment of an amount determined by the secretary of the Kansas department of wildlife and parks of not less than \$40 nor more than \$100. Payment of such wildlife and parks license plate royalty payment shall be made to the county treasurer for each such license plate to be issued.

(c) Subject to the approval of the director of vehicles, the Kansas department of wildlife and parks is authorized to establish four new distinctive license plates. Each such plate shall be subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,141, and amendments thereto. The plates are intended to depict and promote the following:

- (1) State parks;
- (2) hunting;
- (3) fishing; and
- (4) nongame wildlife.

(d) Any person may make an application for a license plate authorized by this section 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 pay to the county treasurer the wildlife and parks license plate royalty payment. Application for registration of a passenger vehicle, motorcycle 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.

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

(f) The director of vehicles may transfer a Kansas department of wildlife and parks license plate from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

(g) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the regular license 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 provides to the county treasurer the payment of the wildlife and parks license plate royalty payment. If such annual wildlife and parks license plate 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.

(h) As a condition of receiving the Kansas department of wildlife and parks 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 Kansas department of wildlife and parks and the state treasurer.

(i) Annual wildlife and parks license plate royalty payments collected by county treasurers under this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215,

and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury. Of each deposit, amounts shall be credited as follows:

(1) For license plates issued pursuant to subsection (c)(1), the entire annual wildlife and parks license plate royalty payment shall be credited to the parks fee fund created by K.S.A. 32-991, and amendments thereto; and

(2) for license plates issued pursuant to subsections (c)(2), (3) and (4):

(A) An amount equal to the current cost of an annual park and recreation motor vehicle permit that is established according to K.S.A. 8-134, and amendments thereto, shall be credited to the parks fee fund created by K.S.A. 32-991, and amendments thereto; and

(B) the balance remaining after crediting pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall be credited to the wildlife fee fund created by K.S.A. 32-990, and amendments thereto.

New Sec. 4. (a) On and after January 1, 2023, 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 city of Hutchinson license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plates 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 city of Hutchinson may authorize the use of its flag image as its logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section. Any royalty payment received pursuant to this section shall be used to support the Hutch rec foundation and park development in Hutchinson. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee may apply annually to the city of Hutchinson for use of such logo. Such owner or lessee shall pay an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 to the city of Hutchinson 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 city of Hutchinson, who 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. 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 the 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 city of Hutchinson 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(b), 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 city of Hutchinson, 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 city of Hutchinson shall provide to all county treasurers an electronic mail address where applicants can contact the city of

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

(h) The city of Hutchinson, 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 city of Hutchinson 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 city of Hutchinson 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, except that payments from the city of Hutchinson royalty fund shall be made on a monthly basis to the appropriate designee of the Hutch rec foundation. A change of the city's designee shall occur only by mutual agreement of the city of Hutchinson and the Hutch rec foundation.

New Sec. 5. (a) On and after January 1, 2023, 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 daughters of the American revolution 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 daughters of the American revolution 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 daughters of the American revolution for use of such logo. Such owner or lessee shall pay an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 to the daughters of the American revolution 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 daughters of the American revolution, 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 daughters of the American revolution 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(b), 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 daughters of the American revolution, 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 daughters of the American revolution shall provide to all county treasurers an electronic mail address where applicants can contact the daughters of the American revolution for information concerning the application process or the status of such applicant's license plate application.

(h) The daughters of the American revolution, 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 daughters of the American revolution 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 daughters of the American revolution 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.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-161 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-161. (a) Any disabled veteran as defined in K.S.A. 8-160, and amendments thereto, who resides in Kansas and who makes application to the director of vehicles on a form furnished by the director for registration of a motor vehicle that is a passenger vehicle, a truck with a gross weight of not more than 20,000 pounds, or a motorcycle and is owned or leased and used by such veteran may have such motor vehicle registered, and the director shall issue a distinctive license plate for it. Such license plate shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates are issued. Such registration shall be made and such license plates issued free of charge to the disabled veteran. The director of vehicles shall also issue to the disabled veteran an individual identification card which must be carried by the disabled veteran when the motor vehicle being operated by the disabled veteran or used for the transportation of such disabled veteran is parked in a designated accessible parking space. *Such distinctive license plate shall not be printed with the international symbol of access to the physically disabled unless the disabled veteran meets the definition of a person with a disability as defined in K.S.A. 8-1,124, and amendments thereto.*

(b) Any Kansas resident who owns or leases a motor vehicle and who is responsible for the transportation of a disabled veteran or any resident disabled veteran desiring a distinctive license plate for a vehicle other than a motor vehicle owned or leased by the veteran may make application to the director of vehicles for such a license plate. Such license plate shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates are issued. There shall be no fee for such license plates in addition to the regular registration fee. *Such license plates shall not be printed with the international symbol of access to the physically disabled unless the applicant is responsible for the transportation of the disabled veteran who meets the definition of a person with a disability as defined in K.S.A. 8-1,124, and amendments thereto.*

(c) (1) The director of vehicles shall design a special license plate to be issued as provided in this act. No registration or license plates issued under this act shall be transferable to any other person. No registration under this act shall be made until the applicant has filed with the director acceptable proof that the applicant is a disabled veteran as defined by K.S.A. 8-160, and amendments thereto, or is responsible for the transportation of such veteran. *Any applicant who requests the international symbol of access to be printed on the applicant's distinctive license plate shall provide the director with acceptable proof that the applicant meets the definition of a person with a disability as defined in K.S.A. 8-1,124, and amendments thereto.*

(2) Motor vehicles displaying the distinctive license plates ~~provided for in this act~~ *with the international symbol of access displayed on such license plates* shall be permitted to:

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

disability;

(B) park without charge in any metered zone ~~and~~. *Such motor vehicle* shall be exempt from any time limitation imposed on parking in any zone designated for parking; during the hours in which parking is permitted in any city; or

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

(3) *Motor vehicles displaying the distinctive license plates without the international symbol of access on such license plates shall be permitted to:*

(A) *Park without charge in any metered zone. Such motor vehicle shall be exempt from any time limitation imposed on parking in any zone designated for parking during the hours in which parking is permitted in any city; or*

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

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

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1,141 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,141. (a) Any new distinctive license plate authorized for issuance on and after July 1, 1994, shall be subject to the personalized license plate fee prescribed by K.S.A. 8-132(c), and amendments thereto. This section shall not apply to any distinctive license plate authorized prior to July 1, 1994.

(b) The director of vehicles shall not issue any new distinctive license plate unless there is a guarantee of an initial issuance of at least 250 license plates.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to distinctive license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,145, and amendments thereto, or K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-177d, 8-1,163, 8-1,166, 8-1,185, 8-1,186, 8-1,187, 8-1,188, 8-1,194, 8-1,195, 8-1,196, 8-1,197, 8-1,198 ~~or~~, 8-1,199, *section 1 or section 2*, and amendments thereto.

(d) The provisions of subsection (a); shall not apply to distinctive license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,146 or 8-1,148, and amendments thereto, or K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1,153, 8-1,158 or 8-1,161, and amendments thereto.

(e) The provisions of subsection (f) shall not apply to distinctive license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1,160 and 8-1,183, and amendments thereto, except that the division shall delay the manufacturing and issuance of such distinctive license plate until the division has received not fewer than 100 orders for such plate, including payment of the personalized license plate fee required under subsection (a). Upon certification by the director of vehicles to the director of accounts and reports that not less than 100 paid orders for such plate have been received, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer \$4,000 from the state highway fund to the distinctive license plate fund.

(f) (1) Any person or organization sponsoring any distinctive license plate authorized by the legislature shall submit to the division of vehicles a nonrefundable amount not to exceed \$5,000, to defray the division's cost for developing such distinctive license plate.

(2) All moneys received under this subsection shall be remitted by

the secretary of revenue to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the distinctive license plate fund which is hereby created in the state treasury. All moneys credited to the distinctive license plate fund shall be used by the department of revenue only for the purpose associated with the development of distinctive license plates. All expenditures from the distinctive license plate application fee fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts, upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary of the department of revenue.

(g) The director of vehicles shall discontinue the issuance of any distinctive license plate if:

(1) Fewer than 250 plates, including annual renewals, are issued for that distinctive license plate by the end of the second year of sales; and

(2) fewer than 125 license plates, including annual renewals, are issued for that distinctive license plate during any subsequent two-year period.

(h) An application for any distinctive license plate issued and the corresponding royalty fee may be collected either by the county treasurer or the entity benefiting from the issuance of the distinctive license plate. Annual royalty payments collected by the county treasurers shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of a segregated royalty fund which shall be administered by the state treasurer. All expenditures from the royalty fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the state treasurer or the state treasurer's designee. Payments from the royalty fund shall be made to the entity benefiting from the issuance of the distinctive license plate on a monthly basis.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for any distinctive license plate, the division shall produce such distinctive license plate for a motorcycle upon request to the division by the organization sponsoring the distinctive license plate.

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

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1,146 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,146. (a) Any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, motorcycles or travel trailers; who is a resident of the state of Kansas, and ~~who~~ submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles *as provided in subsection (c)*, ~~in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue~~; that such person has proof of: (1) Having served and is designated as a veteran, and has had an honorable discharge from the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, *space force* or merchant marines; or (2) currently serving in the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, *space force* or merchant marines, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck, motorcycle or travel trailer designating such person as an United States military veteran. Such license ~~plates~~ *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) ~~On and after January 1, 2005~~. Any person issued a license plate under this section may request a decal for each license plate indicating the appropriate military branch in which the person served or is currently serving.

~~(b)~~(c) Any person who is a veteran or current member of the

United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, *space force* or merchant marines may make application for such distinctive license ~~plates~~ *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 ~~plates~~ *plate* shall furnish the director with proof as the director shall require that the applicant is a veteran or current member of the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, *space force* or merchant marines. *As proof of military veteran status, an applicant may provide a DD214 form, a DD form 2 (Retired) or a Kansas driver's license with a veteran designation pursuant to K.S.A. 8-243(e), and amendments thereto.* Application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck, motorcycle or travel trailer and issuance of the license plates 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.

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

~~(d)~~(e) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in ~~subsection (a)~~ *K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and in the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of 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)~~ (c). 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 plates to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

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

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-1,147 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,147. In the event of the death of any person issued distinctive license plates under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-161, 8-177a, 8-177c, 8-1,139, 8-1,140, 8-1,145 or 8-1,146 or K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-177d, 8-1,163, 8-1,166, 8-1,185, 8-1,186, 8-1,187, 8-1,188, 8-1,194, 8-1,195, 8-1,196, 8-1,197, 8-1,198 ~~or~~, 8-1,199, *section 1 or section 2,* and amendments thereto, the surviving spouse or other family member, if there is no surviving spouse, shall be entitled to possession of any such distinctive license plates. Such license plates shall not be displayed on any vehicle unless otherwise authorized by statute.

Sec. 10. K.S.A. 32-901 is hereby amended to read as follows: 32-901. (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided by law or rules and regulations of the secretary, a valid park and recreation motor vehicle permit is required to use a motor vehicle in any state park, or any portion thereof, or in any other area designated by the secretary pursuant to subsection (f), which is posted in accordance with subsection (g).

(2) *A motor vehicle issued a license plate pursuant to section 3, and amendments thereto, shall constitute a permit allowing the driver of the motor vehicle the rights and obligations to enter a state park as if the driver were an annual permit holder established pursuant to this section in the event that the motor vehicle:*

(A) *Is currently registered and such registration is not expired;*
and

(B) *has been issued a license plate pursuant to section 3, and amendments thereto, and the vehicle displays such plate on the motor vehicle as required by law.*

(b) (1) The secretary shall issue annual and daily park and recreation motor vehicle permits, in addition to permits as provided in K.S.A. 8-134, and amendments thereto.

(2) The annual permit shall be issued for each calendar year as provided in K.S.A. 32-983, 32-984 and 32-985, and amendments thereto, and shall not be transferable. The fee for an annual permit shall be fixed by the secretary by rules and regulations adopted in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto. A duplicate permit may be issued upon proof of loss of the original permit for the remainder of the calendar year for a fee fixed by the secretary by rules and regulations adopted in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and

amendments thereto. If the motor vehicle for which an annual permit has been issued is sold or traded during the calendar year for which the permit was issued and the original permit is surrendered to the department, a new permit effective for the remainder of the calendar year may be issued to the person who sold or traded the motor vehicle for a fee fixed by the secretary by rules and regulations adopted in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto. Before any duplicate or new permit is issued, the purchaser thereof must show by evidence that the purchaser was issued the original permit and that the purchaser is the holder of a valid certificate of title to the motor vehicle for which the duplicate or new permit is issued.

(3) A daily permit shall be issued for a day, shall be issued for a specific vehicle and shall not be transferable. The fee for such a daily permit shall be fixed by the secretary by rules and regulations adopted in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto.

(c) Except as provided in K.S.A. 8-134, and amendments thereto, the following fees shall be applicable until changed by rules and regulations of the secretary:

(1) Annual motor vehicle permit: \$22.50;

(2) daily motor vehicle permit: \$3.50; and

(3) the fee for a daily permit or annual permit for a motor vehicle registered in Kansas by a resident who is 65 or more years of age or who is a person with a disability and displays a special license plate or placard issued pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,125, and amendments thereto, shall be an amount equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ the fee fixed by the secretary for daily or annual park and recreation motor vehicle permits. A nonresident shall pay the full fee.

(d) The provisions of subsection (a) do not apply to:

(1) A motor vehicle used in the operation or maintenance of state parks or other areas under the secretary's control, emergency motor vehicles, state-owned motor vehicles, law enforcement motor vehicles or private or government motor vehicles being operated on official business for a governmental agency;

(2) a motor vehicle of a nonresident who secures a special fee, license or permit required by rules and regulations adopted by the secretary in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto, relating to the use of the park or other area;

(3) a motor vehicle for which a special permit or pass has been issued pursuant to subsection (d);

(4) a motor vehicle in a state park or other area to which subsection (d) applies on dates designated pursuant to subsection (e); or

(5) a motor vehicle in an area or at a time not designated pursuant to subsection (f) as an area or time which requires a permit.

(e) The secretary may issue a special permit or pass for a motor vehicle used for the purpose of sightseeing, attending a church service, attending an approved special event by members of the news media or emergency reasons, as provided by rules and regulations adopted by the secretary in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto.

(f) The secretary may designate by resolution two days each calendar year during which persons may use motor vehicles in state parks and other areas under the secretary's control without having a valid park and recreation motor vehicle permit.

(g) (1) The secretary shall designate the state parks and other areas under the secretary's control, or portions thereof, and the time periods in which motor vehicle permits shall be required hereunder.

(2) The secretary shall cause signs to be posted and maintained at the entrances to all such designated state parks or other areas, or portions thereof, which signs shall display a legend that a motor vehicle entering and using the state park or area, or portion thereof, is required to display on the motor vehicle a permit of the type described in this section.

(h) All fees, licenses and other charges, and rules and regulations relating to the use of and conduct of persons in a state park or other area under the secretary's control, or any facility therein, shall be posted in a convenient and conspicuous place in each such park, area or facility. Except as otherwise provided in this section, each and every person using any such park, area or facility shall be charged the same fees, licenses and every other charge.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 32-901 and K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 8-161, 8-1,141, 8-1,146 and 8-1,147 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 12. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

HOUSE adopted
Conference Committee Report _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Passed the SENATE
as amended _____

SENATE adopted
Conference Committee Report _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

APPROVED _____

Governor.