

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Veterans and Military** recommends **HB 2174** be amended on page 1, by striking all in lines 6 through 16; following line 16, by inserting:

"Section 1. K.S.A. 2016 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, 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 or merchant marines; or (2) currently serving in the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard 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 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.

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) Any person who is a veteran or current member of the United States army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard or merchant marines may make application for such distinctive

license plates, 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 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 or merchant marines. 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.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plates 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 subsection (a), 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). 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) (1) A person eligible to receive a license plate under this section who does not meet the definition of "disabled veteran" under K.S.A. 8-160, and amendments thereto, upon submitting satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,125(a), and amendments thereto, that such person's disability, condition or impairment is permanent in nature, may request a wheelchair emblem decal for such license plate.

(2) When a motor vehicle displaying a decal issued pursuant to this subsection is being operated by or used for the transportation of a person with a disability, such motor vehicle shall receive

all parking privileges under K.S.A. 8-1,126, and amendments thereto.

(f) A fee of \$2 shall be paid for each decal issued under subsection (a) or (e). 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. 2. K.S.A. 8-1,126 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,126. When a motor vehicle which bears a special license plate or placard issued pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,125, and amendments thereto, or wheelchair emblem decal under K.S.A. 8-1,146(e), and amendments thereto, is being operated by or used for the transportation of a person with a disability, such motor vehicle:

(a) May be parked in any parking space, whether 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) may be parked for a period of time not to exceed 24 hours in any parking zone which is restricted as to the length of parking time permitted, except where stopping, standing or parking is prohibited to all vehicles, where parking is reserved for special types of vehicles or where parking would clearly present a traffic hazard; and

(c) shall be exempt from any parking meter fees of the state or any city, county or other political subdivision.";

Also on page 1, in line 17, before "K.S.A" by inserting "K.S.A. 8-1,126 and"; also in line 17, by striking "8-160 is" and inserting "8-1,146 are";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 1, by striking "disabled veteran"; in line 2, by striking "eligibility"

and inserting "decals for certain military veterans with disabilities"; also in line 2, after "amending" by inserting "K.S.A. 8-1,126 and"; also in line 2, by striking "8-160" and inserting "8-1,146"; in line 3, by striking "section" and inserting "sections"; and the bill be passed as amended.

_____Chairperson