

## SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

HOUSE BILLS NOS. 1205, 1214, 1314, 1320,  
1504, 1788, 1867 & 1969

AN ACT

To repeal sections 301.441 and 301.448, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof ten new sections relating to special license plates.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI,  
AS FOLLOWS:

Section A. Sections 301.441 and 301.448, RSMo, are repealed and ten new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 301.441, 301.448, 301.450, 301.3060, 301.3085, 301.3090, 301.3105, 301.3107, 301.3116 and 301.4000, to read as follows:

301.441. Any person who is a retired member of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard may apply for [issuance of special] retired military motor vehicle license plates for any [passenger motor vehicle subject to the registration fees provided in section 301.055, or for a nonlocal property-carrying] motor vehicle the person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed [for a gross weight of nine thousand one pounds to twelve] in excess of eighteen thousand pounds [as provided in section 301.057, whether such vehicle is owned solely or jointly] gross weight. There shall be no limit on the number of license plates any person qualified pursuant to this section may obtain so long as each set of license plates issued pursuant to this section is issued for a vehicle owned

solely or jointly by such person. No additional fee shall be charged for [a set of special] license plates issued pursuant to this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for the personalization of license plates issued pursuant to this section. Such person shall make application for the [special] license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof of retired status from that particular branch of the United States armed forces as the director may require. The plates shall have a white background with a blue and red configuration at the discretion of the advisory committee established in section 301.129. Such plates shall bear the insignia of the respective branch the applicant served in. The director shall then issue license plates bearing the words "RETIRED MILITARY" in preference to the words "SHOW-ME STATE" in a form prescribed by the advisory committee established in section 301.129. Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130.

301.448. Any person who has served and was honorably discharged or currently serves in any branch of the United States armed forces or reserves, the United States Coast Guard or reserve, the United States Merchant Marines or reserve or the Missouri national guard, or any subdivision of any of such services or a member of the United States Marine Corps League may apply for special motor vehicle license plates, either solely or jointly, for issuance either to passenger motor vehicles subject to the registration fees provided in section 301.055, or to

nonlocal property-carrying commercial motor vehicles licensed for a gross weight of six thousand pounds up through and including twelve thousand pounds as provided in section 301.057. Any such person shall make application for the special license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof that such person is a member or former member of any such branch of service as the director may require. Upon presentation of the proof of eligibility and annual payment of the fee required for personalized license plates in section 301.144, and other fees and documents which may be required by law, the department shall issue personalized license plates which shall bear the seal, logo or emblem, along with a word or words designating the branch or subdivision of such service for which the person applies. All seals, logos, emblems or special symbols shall become an integral part of the license plate; however, no plate shall contain more than one seal, logo, emblem or special symbol and the design of such plates shall be approved by the advisory committee established in section 301.129 and by the branch or subdivision of such service or the Marine Corps League prior to issuing such plates. The plates shall have a white background with a blue and red configuration at the discretion of the advisory committee established in section 301.129. The bidding process used to select a vendor for the material to manufacture the license plates authorized by this section shall consider the aesthetic appearance of the plate. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and regulations for the enforcement of this section, and shall design all necessary forms. [The director of revenue shall not authorize the manufacture of the material to

produce such license plates with the individual seal, logo, or emblem until such time he has received one hundred applications for such plates for each branch or subdivision of such service. License plates indicating army reserve, naval reserve, air force reserve, marine corps reserve, coast guard reserve, issued prior to January 1, 1994, will still be in full force and effect until such time the one hundred minimum applications for such branch of service is met.] All license plates issued under this provision must be renewed in accordance with law. License plates issued under the provisions of this section shall not be transferable to any other person, except that any registered co-owner of the motor vehicle shall be entitled to operate the motor vehicle for the duration of the year licensed, in the event of the death of the qualified applicant.

301.450. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other section to the contrary, any surviving spouse who was married to an individual who would have been eligible to own any of the various special military license plates provided for in section 301.448, and who has not remarried, shall be allowed to obtain such special license plates. The surviving spouse shall make application, provide necessary documentation of the individual's military service, and pay such fees as are otherwise required by section 301.448, for issuance of the special military plates. Such plates must be renewed as otherwise required by law. The surviving spouse may renew such plates unless such spouse remarries. License plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable to any other person.

2. The director of the department of revenue shall have the

authority to promulgate any rules and regulations necessary for the administration of this section. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo.

301.3060. 1. Any person who is a member of the Civil Air Patrol may, after an annual payment of an emblem-use authorization fee to the Civil Air Patrol as provided in subsection 2 of this section, apply for Civil Air Patrol license plates for any motor vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, for issuance either for a passenger motor vehicle subject to the registration fees as provided in section 301.055 or for a local or nonlocal property-carrying commercial motor vehicle licensed for a gross weight not in excess of eighteen thousand pounds as provided in section 301.057 or 301.058. The Civil Air Patrol hereby authorizes the use of its official emblem to be affixed on multiyear personalized license plates as provided in this section.

2. Upon annual application and payment of a fifteen dollar emblem-use contribution to the Civil Air Patrol, the Civil Air Patrol shall issue to the person, without further charge, an emblem-use authorization statement which shall be presented by the member to the department of revenue at the time of registration of a motor vehicle. Upon presentation of the annual statement and payment of the fee required for personalized license plates in section 301.144 and other fees and documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue shall issue a personalized license plate, which shall bear the emblem

of the Civil Air Patrol in the left hand section of such license plate and the words "CIVIL AIR PATROL" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE" to the person. The emblem, seal or logo shall be reproduced on the license plate in as a clear and defined manner as possible. If the emblem, seal or logo is unacceptable to the Civil Air Patrol, it shall be the Civil Air Patrol's responsibility to furnish the artwork in a digitalized format. Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130.

3. A fee for the issuance of personalized license plates pursuant to section 301.144, shall not be required for plates issued pursuant to this section. There shall be no limit on the number of license plates any person qualified pursuant to this section may obtain so long as each set of plates issued pursuant to this section is issued for vehicles owned solely or jointly by such person. License plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the motor vehicle may operate the motor vehicle for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.

301.3085. Any person who has participated in active duty combat action while serving in the United States Marine Corps or the United States Navy may apply for special motor vehicle license plates for any vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight. Any such person

shall make application for the special license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof as a recipient of the combat infantry badge as the director may require. The director shall then issue license plates bearing the words "COMBAT ACTION RIBBON" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE" in a form prescribed by the director, except that such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material, shall have a white background with a blue and red configuration at the discretion of the director, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. Such plates shall also bear an image of a blue, yellow, and red ribbon. There shall be an additional fee charged for each set of special combat action ribbon license plates issued equal to the fee charged for personalized license plates in section 301.144. No more than one set of combat action ribbon license plates shall be issued to a qualified applicant. License plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the motor vehicle shall be entitled to operate the motor vehicle with such plates for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.

301.3090. Any person who is serving on active duty in any branch of the United States military, including the reserves or national guard, during any part of Operation Enduring Freedom and has not been dishonorably discharged may receive special motor vehicle license plates for any motor vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle

or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight. Any such person shall make application for the special license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof of service during Operation Enduring Freedom or proof of status as an honorably discharged veteran as the director may require. Upon presentation of the proof of eligibility and annual payment of the fee required for personalized license plates prescribed by section 301.144, and other fees and documents which may be required by law, the director shall then issue license plates bearing letters or numbers or a combination thereof as determined by the advisory committee established in section 301.129, with the words "OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such plates shall also bear an image of the American flag. The plates shall be clearly visible at night and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. No more than one set of special license plates shall be issued pursuant to this section to a qualified applicant. License plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the motor vehicle may operate the motor vehicle for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.

301.3105. 1. Any member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars may receive special license plates as prescribed by this section, for any motor vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross

weight, after an annual payment of an emblem-use authorization fee to the Department of Missouri, Veterans of Foreign Wars of which the person is a member. The Veterans of Foreign Wars hereby authorizes the use of its official emblem to be affixed on multi-year personalized license plates as provided in this section. Any contribution to the Veterans of Foreign Wars derived from this section, except reasonable administrative costs, shall be used solely for the purposes of the Department of Missouri, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Any member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars may annually apply for the use of the emblem.

2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five dollar emblem-use contribution to the Department of Missouri, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the organization shall issue to the vehicle owner, without further charge, an emblem-use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the owner to the department of revenue at the time of registration of a motor vehicle. Upon presentation of the annual statement, payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the registration fee and documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue shall issue to the vehicle owner a personalized license plate which shall bear the emblem of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for the personalization of license plates pursuant to this section.

3. A vehicle owner, who was previously issued a plate with

the Veterans of Foreign Wars emblem authorized by this section but who does not provide an emblem-use authorization statement at a subsequent time of registration, shall be issued a new plate which does not bear the Veterans of Foreign Wars emblem, as otherwise provided by law. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section, and shall design all necessary forms required by this section. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo.

301.3107. 1. Any member of Missouri Task Force One may receive special license plates as prescribed by this section, for any motor vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight. Any member of Missouri Task Force One may annually apply for such license plates.

2. Upon presentation of the appropriate proof of eligibility as determined by the director and annual payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the registration fee, and other documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue shall issue to the vehicle owner a personalized license plate which shall bear an appropriate configuration to be determined by the director, with the words "MISSOURI TASK FORCE ONE" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be

aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130.  
Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.144, no additional  
fee shall be charged for the personalization of license plates  
pursuant to this section.

3. No more than one set of license plates shall be issued  
pursuant to this section to a qualified applicant. License  
plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable  
to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the  
motor vehicle shall be entitled to operate the motor vehicle with  
such plates for the duration of the year licensed in the event of  
the death of the qualified person. The director of revenue shall  
make necessary rules and regulations for the administration of  
this section, and shall design all necessary forms required by  
this section. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant  
to the authority of this section shall become effective unless it  
has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536,  
RSMo.

301.3116. Any person who is serving or has served in any  
branch of the United States military, including the reserves or  
national guard, during any part of Operation Noble Eagle and has  
not been dishonorably discharged may receive special motor  
vehicle license plates for any motor vehicle such person owns,  
either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle  
or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen  
thousand pounds gross weight. Any such person shall make  
application for the special license plates on a form provided by  
the director of revenue and furnish such proof of service during  
Operation Noble Eagle or proof of status as an honorably

discharged veteran as the director may require. Upon presentation of the proof of eligibility and annual payment of the fee required for personalized license plates prescribed by section 301.144, and other fees and documents which may be required by law, the director shall then issue license plates bearing letters or numbers or a combination thereof as determined by the advisory committee established in section 301.129, with the words "OPERATION NOBLE EAGLE" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such plates shall also bear an image of the American flag. The plates shall be clearly visible at night and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. No more than one set of special license plates shall be issued pursuant to this section to a qualified applicant. License plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the motor vehicle may operate the motor vehicle for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.

301.4000. Any person who served in the active military service in a branch of the armed forces of the United States during a period of war and was honorably discharged from such service may apply for special motorcycle license plates, either solely or jointly, for issuance for any motorcycle subject to the registration fees provided in section 301.055. Any such person shall make application for the special license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and furnish such proof of service in a foreign war and status as an honorably discharged veteran as the director may require. Upon presentation of the

proof of eligibility and payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the regulation registration fees, and presentation of other documents which may be required by law, the director shall then issue license plates bearing letters or numbers or a combination thereof as determined by the director, with the words "U.S. VET" in place of the words "SHOW-ME-STATE". The plates shall be clearly visible at night and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. No more than one set of special license plates shall be issued pursuant to this section to a qualified applicant. License plates issued pursuant to this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the motorcycle may operate the motorcycle for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified person.