

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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1 AMEND House Bill No. 92, Page 10, Section 301.010, Line 315, by inserting immediately after  
2 said section and line the following:

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4 "301.064. 1. The annual registration fee for a land improvement contractors' commercial  
5 motor vehicle is three hundred fifty dollars. The maximum gross weight for which such a vehicle  
6 may be registered is eighty thousand pounds. Transporting for hire by such a motor vehicle is  
7 prohibited.

8 2. Upon application to the director of revenue accompanied by an affidavit signed by the  
9 owner or owners stating that the motor vehicle to be licensed as a land improvement contractors'  
10 commercial motor vehicle shall not be operated in any manner other than as prescribed in section  
11 301.010, and by the amount of the registration fee prescribed ~~[above]~~ in subsection 1 of this section,  
12 and otherwise complying with the laws relating to the registration and licensing of motor vehicles,  
13 the owner or owners shall be issued a ~~[set of]~~ distinctive land improvement contractors' license  
14 ~~[plates. The director of revenue shall by regulation determine the characteristic features of land~~  
15 ~~improvement contractors' license plates so that they]~~ plate so that it may be readily identified as  
16 such.

17 301.120. 1. When the owner of a motor vehicle moves the vehicle to another state, ~~[he]~~ the  
18 owner shall return the license plates to the director of revenue within ninety days or upon the  
19 expiration of the period of reciprocity granted by the new state of residence; or if the owner of a  
20 motor vehicle ceases to operate the vehicle in Missouri, he shall return the license plates to the  
21 director of revenue within ninety days.

22 2. For motor vehicles that require the issuance of only one license plate under section  
23 301.130 on or after August 28, 2021, an owner whose motor vehicle has a front license plate on the  
24 effective date of this section shall surrender the front license plate to the department of revenue at  
25 the next renewal of registration for the motor vehicle.

26 301.130. 1. Beginning August 28, 2021, the director of revenue, upon receipt of a proper  
27 application for registration, required fees and any other information which may be required by law,  
28 shall issue to the applicant a certificate of registration in such manner and form as the director of  
29 revenue may prescribe and ~~[a set of license plates]~~ only one license plate, or other evidence of  
30 registration, as provided by this section. Each license plate or set of license plates shall bear the  
31 name or abbreviated name of this state, the words "SHOW-ME STATE", the month and year in  
32 which the registration shall expire, and an arrangement of numbers or letters, or both, as shall be  
33 assigned from year to year by the director of revenue. The plate or plates shall also contain fully  
34 reflective material with a common color scheme and design for each type of license plate issued  
35 pursuant to this chapter. The plate or plates shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be  
36 aesthetically attractive. Special plates for qualified disabled veterans will have the "DISABLED

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1 VETERAN" wording on the license plates in preference to the words "SHOW-ME STATE" and  
2 special plates for members of the National Guard will have the "NATIONAL GUARD" wording in  
3 preference to the words "SHOW-ME STATE".

4 2. The arrangement of letters and numbers of license plates shall be uniform throughout  
5 each classification of registration. The director may provide for the arrangement of the numbers in  
6 groups or otherwise, and for other distinguishing marks on the plates.

7 3. All property-carrying commercial motor vehicles to be registered at a gross weight in  
8 excess of twelve thousand pounds, all passenger-carrying commercial motor vehicles, local transit  
9 buses, school buses, trailers, semitrailers, motorcycles, motortricycles, autocycles, motorscooters,  
10 and driveaway vehicles shall be registered with the director of revenue as provided for in subsection  
11 3 of section 301.030, or with the state highways and transportation commission as otherwise  
12 provided in this chapter, but only one license plate shall be issued for each such vehicle, except as  
13 provided in this subsection. The applicant for registration of any property-carrying commercial  
14 vehicle registered at a gross weight in excess of twelve thousand pounds may request and be issued  
15 two license plates for such vehicle, and if such plates are issued, the director of revenue shall  
16 provide for distinguishing marks on the plates indicating one plate is for the front and the other is for  
17 the rear of such vehicle. The director may assess and collect an additional charge from the applicant  
18 in an amount not to exceed the fee prescribed for personalized license plates in subsection 1 of  
19 section 301.144.

20 4. The plates issued to manufacturers and dealers shall bear the letters and numbers as  
21 prescribed by section 301.560, and the director may place upon the plates other letters or marks to  
22 distinguish commercial motor vehicles and trailers and other types of motor vehicles.

23 5. No motor vehicle or trailer shall be operated on any highway of this state unless it shall  
24 have displayed thereon the license plate ~~[or set of license plates]~~ issued by the director of revenue or  
25 the state highways and transportation commission and authorized by section 301.140. Each such  
26 plate shall be securely fastened to the motor vehicle or trailer in a manner so that all parts thereof  
27 shall be plainly visible and reasonably clean so that the reflective qualities thereof are not impaired.  
28 Each such plate may be encased in a transparent cover so long as the plate is plainly visible and its  
29 reflective qualities are not impaired. ~~[License plates]~~ The license plate shall be fastened to all motor  
30 vehicles except trucks, tractors, truck tractors or truck-tractors licensed in excess of twelve thousand  
31 pounds on the ~~[front and]~~ rear of such vehicles not less than eight nor more than forty-eight inches  
32 above the ground, with the letters and numbers thereon right side up. The license plates on trailers,  
33 motorcycles, motortricycles, autocycles, and motorscooters shall be displayed on the rear of such  
34 vehicles either horizontally or vertically, with the letters and numbers plainly visible. The license  
35 plate on buses, other than school buses, and on trucks, tractors, truck tractors or truck-tractors  
36 licensed in excess of twelve thousand pounds shall be displayed on the front of such vehicles not  
37 less than eight nor more than forty-eight inches above the ground, with the letters and numbers  
38 thereon right side up or if two plates are issued for the vehicle pursuant to subsection 3 of this  
39 section, displayed in the same manner on the front and rear of such vehicles. The license plate or  
40 plates authorized by section 301.140, when properly attached, shall be prima facie evidence that the  
41 required fees have been paid.

42 6. (1) The director of revenue shall issue annually or biennially a tab or set of tabs ~~[as~~  
43 ~~provided by law]~~, in cases where two license plates have been issued, as evidence of the annual  
44 payment of registration fees and the current registration of a vehicle in lieu of the set of plates.  
45 Beginning January 1, 2010, the director may prescribe any additional information recorded on the  
46 tab or tabs to ensure that the tab or tabs positively correlate with the license plate or plates issued by  
47 the department of revenue for such vehicle. Such tabs shall be produced in each license bureau  
48 office.

49 (2) The vehicle owner to whom a tab or set of tabs is issued shall affix and display such tab

1 or tabs in the designated area of the license plate, no more than one per plate.

2 (3) A tab or set of tabs issued by the director of revenue when attached to a vehicle in the  
3 prescribed manner shall be prima facie evidence that the registration fee for such vehicle has been  
4 paid.

5 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the director of revenue shall issue plates for  
6 a period of at least six years.

7 (5) For those commercial motor vehicles and trailers registered pursuant to section 301.041,  
8 the plate issued by the highways and transportation commission shall be a permanent nonexpiring  
9 license plate for which no tabs shall be issued. Nothing in this section shall relieve the owner of any  
10 vehicle permanently registered pursuant to this section from the obligation to pay the annual  
11 registration fee due for the vehicle. The permanent nonexpiring license plate shall be returned to the  
12 highways and transportation commission upon the sale or disposal of the vehicle by the owner to  
13 whom the permanent nonexpiring license plate is issued, or the plate may be transferred to a  
14 replacement commercial motor vehicle when the owner files a supplemental application with the  
15 Missouri highways and transportation commission for the registration of such replacement  
16 commercial motor vehicle. Upon payment of the annual registration fee, the highways and  
17 transportation commission shall issue a certificate of registration or other suitable evidence of  
18 payment of the annual fee, and such evidence of payment shall be carried at all times in the vehicle  
19 for which it is issued.

20 (6) Upon the sale or disposal of any vehicle permanently registered under this section, or  
21 upon the termination of a lease of any such vehicle, the permanent nonexpiring plate issued for such  
22 vehicle shall be returned to the highways and transportation commission and shall not be valid for  
23 operation of such vehicle, or the plate may be transferred to a replacement vehicle when the owner  
24 files a supplemental application with the Missouri highways and transportation commission for the  
25 registration of such replacement vehicle. If a vehicle which is permanently registered under this  
26 section is sold, wrecked or otherwise disposed of, or the lease terminated, the registrant shall be  
27 given credit for any unused portion of the annual registration fee when the vehicle is replaced by the  
28 purchase or lease of another vehicle during the registration year.

29 7. The director of revenue and the highways and transportation commission may prescribe  
30 rules and regulations for the effective administration of this section. No rule or portion of a rule  
31 promulgated under the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been  
32 promulgated pursuant to the provisions of section 536.024.

33 8. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, owners of motor vehicles  
34 other than apportioned motor vehicles or commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of twenty-  
35 four thousand pounds gross weight may apply for special personalized license plates. Vehicles  
36 licensed for twenty-four thousand pounds that display special personalized license plates shall be  
37 subject to the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of section 301.030. On and after August 28, 2016,  
38 owners of motor vehicles, other than apportioned motor vehicles or commercial motor vehicles  
39 licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight, may apply for any preexisting or  
40 hereafter statutorily created special personalized license plates.

41 9. No later than January 1, 2019, the director of revenue shall commence the reissuance of  
42 new license plates of such design as approved by the advisory committee under section 301.125  
43 consistent with the terms, conditions, and provisions of section 301.125 and this chapter. Except as  
44 otherwise provided in this section, in addition to all other fees required by law, applicants for  
45 registration of vehicles with license plates that expire during the period of reissuance, applicants for  
46 registration of trailers or semitrailers with license plates that expire during the period of reissuance  
47 and applicants for registration of vehicles that are to be issued new license plates during the period  
48 of reissuance shall pay the cost of the plates required by this subsection. The additional cost  
49 prescribed in this subsection shall not be charged to persons receiving special license plates issued

1 under section 301.073 or 301.443. Historic motor vehicle license plates registered pursuant to  
2 section 301.131 and specialized license plates are exempt from the provisions of this subsection.  
3 Except for new, replacement, and transfer applications, permanent nonexpiring license plates issued  
4 to commercial motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 301.041 are exempt from the  
5 provisions of this subsection.

6 10. The provisions of this section regarding the issuance of only one license plate for a  
7 motor vehicle shall apply to the issuance of personalized license plates.

8 301.144. 1. The director of revenue shall establish and issue special personalized license  
9 plates containing letters or numbers or combinations of letters and numbers. Such license plates  
10 shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be  
11 clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. Any  
12 person desiring to obtain a special personalized license plate for any motor vehicle the person owns,  
13 either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle  
14 licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight shall apply to the director of  
15 revenue on a form provided by the director and shall pay a fee of fifteen dollars in addition to the  
16 regular registration fees. The director of revenue shall issue rules and regulations setting the  
17 standards and establishing the procedure for application for and issuance of the special personalized  
18 license plates and shall provide a deadline each year for the applications. Any rule or portion of a  
19 rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this  
20 section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of  
21 chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and  
22 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the  
23 effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the  
24 grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2001, shall be  
25 invalid and void. No two owners shall be issued identical plates. An owner shall make a new  
26 application and pay a new fee each year such owner desires to obtain or retain special personalized  
27 license plates; however, notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 8 of section 301.130 to the  
28 contrary, the director shall allow the special personalized license plates to be replaced with new  
29 plates every three years without any additional charge, above the fee established in this section, to  
30 the renewal applicant. Any person currently in possession of an approved personalized license plate  
31 shall have first priority on that particular plate for each of the following years that timely and  
32 appropriate application is made.

33 2. Upon application for a personalized plate by the owner of a motor vehicle for which the  
34 owner has no registration plate available for transfer as prescribed by section 301.140, the director  
35 shall issue a temporary permit authorizing the operation of the motor vehicle until the personalized  
36 plate is issued.

37 3. No personalized license plates shall be issued containing any letters, numbers or  
38 combination of letters and numbers which are obscene, profane, patently offensive or contemptuous  
39 of a racial or ethnic group, or offensive to good taste or decency, or would present an unreasonable  
40 danger to the health or safety of the applicant, of other users of streets and highways, or of the  
41 public in any location where the vehicle with such a plate may be found. The director may recall  
42 any personalized license plates, including those issued prior to August 28, 1992, if the director  
43 determines that the plates are obscene, profane, patently offensive or contemptuous of a racial or  
44 ethnic group, or offensive to good taste or decency, or would present an unreasonable danger to the  
45 health or safety of the applicant, of other users of streets and highways, or of the public in any  
46 location where the vehicle with such a plate may be found. Where the director recalls such plates  
47 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection, the director shall reissue personalized license plates to  
48 the owner of the motor vehicle for which they were issued at no charge, if the new plates proposed  
49 by the owner of the motor vehicle meet the standards established pursuant to this section. The

1 director shall not apply the provisions of this statute in a way that violates the Missouri or United  
 2 States Constitutions as interpreted by the courts with controlling authority in the state of Missouri.  
 3 The primary purpose of motor vehicle license plates is to identify motor vehicles. Nothing in the  
 4 issuance of a personalized license plate creates a designated or limited public forum. Nothing  
 5 contained in this subsection shall be interpreted to prohibit the use of license plates, which are no  
 6 longer valid for registration purposes, as collector's items or for decorative purposes.

7 4. The director may also establish categories of special license plates from which license  
 8 plates may be issued. Any such person, other than a person exempted from the additional fee  
 9 pursuant to subsection 7 of this section, that desires a personalized special license plate from any  
 10 such category shall pay the same additional fee and make the same kind of application as that  
 11 required by subsection 1 of this section, and the director shall issue such plates in the same manner  
 12 as other personalized special license plates are issued.

13 5. The director of revenue shall issue to residents of the state of Missouri who hold an  
 14 unrevoked and unexpired official amateur radio license issued by the Federal Communications  
 15 Commission, upon application and upon payment of the additional fee specified in subsection 1 of  
 16 this section, except for a person exempted from the additional fee pursuant to subsection 7 of this  
 17 section, personalized special license plates bearing the official amateur radio call letters assigned by  
 18 the Federal Communications Commission to the applicant with the words "AMATEUR RADIO" in  
 19 place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". The application shall be accompanied by a statement  
 20 stating that the applicant has an unrevoked and unexpired amateur radio license issued by the  
 21 Federal Communications Commission and the official radio call letters assigned by the Federal  
 22 Communications Commission to the applicant. An owner making a new application and paying a  
 23 new fee to retain an amateur radio license plate may request a replacement plate with the words  
 24 "AMATEUR RADIO" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". If application is made to retain  
 25 a plate that is three years old or older, the replacement plate shall be issued upon the payment of  
 26 required fees.

27 6. Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, any business that repossesses motor  
 28 vehicles or trailers and sells or otherwise disposes of them shall be issued a placard displaying the  
 29 word "Repossessed", provided such business pays the license fees presently required of a  
 30 manufacturer, distributor, or dealer in section 301.560. Such placard shall bear a number and shall  
 31 be in such form as the director of revenue shall determine, and shall be only used for demonstrations  
 32 when displayed substantially as provided for number plates on the rear of the repossessed motor  
 33 vehicle or trailer.

34 7. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any person who has retired from  
 35 any branch of the United States Armed Forces or reserves, the United States Coast Guard or reserve,  
 36 the United States Merchant Marines or reserve, the National Guard, or any subdivision of any such  
 37 services shall be exempt from the additional fee required for personalized license plates issued  
 38 pursuant to section 301.441. As used in this subsection, "retired" means having served twenty or  
 39 more years in the appropriate branch of service and having received an honorable discharge.

40 8. The provisions of section 301.130 regarding the issuance of only one license plate for a  
 41 motor vehicle shall apply to personalized license plates issued under this section."; and

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 43 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references  
 44 accordingly.