FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE BILL NO. 585

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BROWN (16).

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 301.055, 301.070, 301.110, 301.140, 301.142, 301.147, 301.558, 301.560, 301.570, 307.350, and 643.315, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eleven new sections relating to the department of revenue, with penalty provisions and a contingent effective date.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

| | Section A. Sections 301.055, 301.070, 301.110, 301.140, |
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| 2 | 301.142, 301.147, 301.558, 301.560, 301.570, 307.350, and |
| 3 | 643.315, RSMo, are repealed and eleven new sections enacted in |
| 4 | lieu thereof, to be known as sections 301.055, 301.070, 301.110, |
| 5 | 301.140, 301.142, 301.147, 301.558, 301.560, 301.570, 307.350, |
| 6 | and 643.315, to read as follows: |
| | 301.055. 1. The annual registration fee for motor |

2 vehicles other than commercial motor vehicles is[:

| 3 | Less than 12 horsepower | \$18.00 |
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| 4 | 12 horsepower and less than 24 horsepower 2 | 21.00 |
| 5 | 24 horsepower and less than 36 horsepower 2 | 24.00 |
| 6 | 36 horsepower and less than 48 horsepower 3 | 33.00 |
| 7 | 48 horsepower and less than 60 horsepower 3 | 39.00 |
| 8 | 60 horsepower and less than 72 horsepower | 45.00 |
| 9 | 72 horsepower and more | 51.00 |
| 10 | Motorcycles | 8.50 |
| 11 | Motortricycles | 10.00 |

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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Autocycles

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twenty-five dollars, inclusive of the railroad crossing
safety fee prescribed in section 389.612.

15 2. The annual registration fee for motorcycles,
16 motortricycles, and autocycles is ten dollars, inclusive of
17 the railroad crossing safety fee prescribed in section
18 389.612.

19 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the 20 registration of any autocycle registered as a motorcycle or 21 motortricycle prior to August 28, 2018, shall remain in 22 effect until the expiration of the registration period for 23 such vehicle at which time the owner shall be required to 24 renew the motor vehicle's registration under the autocycle 25 classification and pay the appropriate registration fee.

301.070. 1. [In determining fees based on the horsepower of vehicles propelled by internal combustion engines, the horsepower shall be computed and recorded upon the following formula established by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce: Square the bore of the cylinder in inches multiplied by the number of cylinders, divided by two and one-half.

8 2. The horsepower of all motor vehicles propelled by
9 steam may be accepted as rated by the manufacturers thereof,
10 or may be determined in accordance with regulations
11 promulgated by the director.

3. The horsepower of all motor vehicles, except
commercial motor vehicles, propelled by electric power,
shall be rated as being between twelve and twenty-four
horsepower.

16 4.1 Fees of commercial motor vehicles, other than passenger-carrying commercial motor vehicles, shall be based 17 18 on the gross weight of the vehicle or any combination of vehicles and the maximum load to be carried at any one time 19 20 during the license period, except the fee for a wrecker, tow 21 truck, rollback or car carrier used in a towing service shall be based on the empty weight of such vehicle fully 22 23 equipped for the recovery or towing of vehicles.

[5.] 2. The decision of the director as to the type of motor vehicles and their classification for the purpose of registration and the computation of fees therefor shall be final and conclusive.

301.110. 1. Whenever the director shall determine 2 from an increase or decrease in the number of registrations 3 of all types of motor vehicles in any given month that the 4 volume of clerical work of registration of all types of 5 motor vehicles in such month has become so disproportionate 6 to the volume of work in the remaining registration periods 7 as to render the system burdensome or inefficient, he is authorized and empowered to change the registration period 8 9 of any number of motor vehicles, other than commercial motor vehicles, as may be necessary to increase or reduce the 10 volume of registration in one or more periods by advancing 11 12 the renewal date and shortening the registration period of such motor vehicles. 13

14 2. The shifting of registration periods shall be 15 accomplished by notifying the registrants of the change, and 16 giving them credit for that portion of the registration 17 period not yet elapsed. In such instances the director 18 shall order the registrant to surrender the license plates 19 and registration certificate held by him and shall assign 20 and issue, without cost to the owner, new plates and a

21 registration certificate designating the new registration 22 expiration date.

23 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 6 of 24 section 142.869 or any other provision of law to the 25 contrary, the director may stagger the collection of 26 alternative fuel decal fees and issuance of alternative fuel decals so that issuance of alternative fuel decals occurs at 27 28 the time of vehicle registration and the decal or decals are 29 valid for the duration of the vehicle's registration 30 period. In lieu of an alternative fuel decal, the director 31 may issue a receipt showing payment of the alternative fuel 32 decal fee, which shall be kept with the vehicle and valid in place of an alternative fuel decal displayed in accordance 33 with section 142.869. 34

1. Upon the transfer of ownership of any 301.140. motor vehicle or trailer, the certificate of registration 2 3 and the right to use the number plates shall expire and the 4 number plates shall be removed by the owner at the time of 5 the transfer of possession, and it shall be unlawful for any person other than the person to whom such number plates were 6 originally issued to have the same in his or her possession 7 whether in use or not, unless such possession is solely for 8 9 charitable purposes; except that the buyer of a motor 10 vehicle or trailer who trades in a motor vehicle or trailer may attach the license plates from the traded-in motor 11 12 vehicle or trailer to the newly purchased motor vehicle or 13 trailer. The operation of a motor vehicle with such transferred plates shall be lawful for no more than thirty 14 days, or no more than ninety days if the dealer is selling 15 the motor vehicle under the provisions of section 301.213, 16 or no more than sixty days if the dealer is selling the 17 motor vehicle under the provisions of subsection 5 of 18

19 section 301.210. As used in this subsection, the term
20 "trade-in motor vehicle or trailer" shall include any single
21 motor vehicle or trailer sold by the buyer of the newly
22 purchased vehicle or trailer, as long as the license plates
23 for the trade-in motor vehicle or trailer are still valid.

24 2. In the case of a transfer of ownership the original owner may register another motor vehicle under the same 25 26 number, upon the payment of a fee of two dollars, if the 27 motor vehicle is of [horsepower,] gross weight or (in the 28 case of a passenger-carrying commercial motor vehicle) seating capacity[,] not in excess of that originally 29 registered. When such motor vehicle is of greater 30 [horsepower,] gross weight or (in the case of a passenger-31 carrying commercial motor vehicle) seating capacity, for 32 which a greater fee is prescribed, the applicant shall pay a 33 transfer fee of two dollars and a pro rata portion for the 34 35 difference in fees. When such vehicle is of less [horsepower,] gross weight or (in case of a passenger-36 37 carrying commercial motor vehicle) seating capacity, for which a lesser fee is prescribed, the applicant shall not be 38 entitled to a refund. 39

40 3. License plates may be transferred from a motor vehicle which will no longer be operated to a newly 41 42 purchased motor vehicle by the owner of such vehicles. The owner shall pay a transfer fee of two dollars if the newly 43 purchased vehicle is of [horsepower,] gross weight or (in 44 the case of a passenger-carrying commercial motor vehicle) 45 seating capacity[,] not in excess of that of the vehicle 46 which will no longer be operated. When the newly purchased 47 48 motor vehicle is of greater [horsepower,] gross weight or (in the case of a passenger-carrying commercial motor 49 vehicle) seating capacity, for which a greater fee is 50

51 prescribed, the applicant shall pay a transfer fee of two 52 dollars and a pro rata portion of the difference in fees. 53 When the newly purchased vehicle is of less [horsepower,] 54 gross weight or (in the case of a passenger-carrying 55 commercial motor vehicle) seating capacity, for which a 56 lesser fee is prescribed, the applicant shall not be 57 entitled to a refund.

58 4. The director of the department of revenue shall have authority to produce or allow others to produce a 59 60 weather resistant, nontearing temporary permit authorizing the operation of a motor vehicle or trailer by a buyer for 61 not more than thirty days, or no more than ninety days if 62 63 issued by a dealer selling the motor vehicle under the provisions of section 301.213, or no more than sixty days if 64 issued by a dealer selling the motor vehicle under the 65 provisions of subsection 5 of section 301.210, from the date 66 of purchase. The temporary permit authorized under this 67 section may be purchased by the purchaser of a motor vehicle 68 69 or trailer from the central office of the department of revenue or from an authorized agent of the department of 70 revenue upon proof of purchase of a motor vehicle or trailer 71 72 for which the buyer has no registration plate available for transfer and upon proof of financial responsibility, or from 73 a motor vehicle dealer upon purchase of a motor vehicle or 74 trailer for which the buyer has no registration plate 75 76 available for transfer, or from a motor vehicle dealer upon purchase of a motor vehicle or trailer for which the buyer 77 has registered and is awaiting receipt of registration 78 plates. The director of the department of revenue or a 79 80 producer authorized by the director of the department of revenue may make temporary permits available to registered 81 dealers in this state, authorized agents of the department 82

83 of revenue or the department of revenue. The price paid by a motor vehicle dealer, an authorized agent of the 84 85 department of revenue or the department of revenue for a temporary permit shall not exceed five dollars for each 86 The director of the department of revenue shall 87 permit. direct motor vehicle dealers and authorized agents to obtain 88 89 temporary permits from an authorized producer. Amounts 90 received by the director of the department of revenue for 91 temporary permits shall constitute state revenue; however, 92 amounts received by an authorized producer other than the director of the department of revenue shall not constitute 93 state revenue and any amounts received by motor vehicle 94 95 dealers or authorized agents for temporary permits purchased from a producer other than the director of the department of 96 97 revenue shall not constitute state revenue. In no event shall revenues from the general revenue fund or any other 98 99 state fund be utilized to compensate motor vehicle dealers or other producers for their role in producing temporary 100 101 permits as authorized under this section. Amounts that do not constitute state revenue under this section shall also 102 not constitute fees for registration or certificates of 103 title to be collected by the director of the department of 104 revenue under section 301.190. No motor vehicle dealer, 105 106 authorized agent or the department of revenue shall charge 107 more than five dollars for each permit issued. The permit 108 shall be valid for a period of thirty days, or no more than ninety days if issued by a dealer selling the motor vehicle 109 under the provisions of section 301.213, or no more than 110 111 sixty days if issued by a dealer selling the motor vehicle 112 under the provisions of subsection 5 of section 301.210, from the date of purchase of a motor vehicle or trailer, or 113 from the date of sale of the motor vehicle or trailer by a 114

115 motor vehicle dealer for which the purchaser obtains a 116 permit as set out above. No permit shall be issued for a 117 vehicle under this section unless the buyer shows proof of financial responsibility. Each temporary permit issued 118 119 shall be securely fastened to the back or rear of the motor 120 vehicle in a manner and place on the motor vehicle consistent with registration plates so that all parts and 121 122 qualities of the temporary permit thereof shall be plainly 123 and clearly visible, reasonably clean and are not impaired 124 in any way.

125 The permit shall be issued on a form prescribed by 5. the director of the department of revenue and issued only 126 127 for the applicant's temporary operation of the motor vehicle or trailer purchased to enable the applicant to temporarily 128 129 operate the motor vehicle while proper title and 130 registration plates are being obtained, or while awaiting 131 receipt of registration plates, and shall be displayed on no other motor vehicle. Temporary permits issued pursuant to 132 this section shall not be transferable or renewable, shall 133 not be valid upon issuance of proper registration plates for 134 the motor vehicle or trailer, and shall be returned to the 135 department or to the department's agent upon the issuance of 136 such proper registration plates. Any temporary permit 137 138 returned to the department or to the department's agent 139 shall be immediately destroyed. The provisions of this 140 subsection shall not apply to temporary permits issued for commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of twenty-four 141 thousand pounds gross weight. The director of the 142 department of revenue shall determine the size, material, 143 144 design, numbering configuration, construction, and color of the permit. The director of the department of revenue, at 145 his or her discretion, shall have the authority to reissue, 146

147 and thereby extend the use of, a temporary permit previously 148 and legally issued for a motor vehicle or trailer while 149 proper title and registration are being obtained.

150 6. Every motor vehicle dealer that issues temporary 151 permits shall keep, for inspection by proper officers, an 152 accurate record of each permit issued by recording the permit number, the motor vehicle dealer's number, buyer's 153 154 name and address, the motor vehicle's year, make, and manufacturer's vehicle identification number, and the 155 156 permit's date of issuance and expiration date. Upon the 157 issuance of a temporary permit by either the central office of the department of revenue, a motor vehicle dealer or an 158 159 authorized agent of the department of revenue, the director 160 of the department of revenue shall make the information 161 associated with the issued temporary permit immediately 162 available to the law enforcement community of the state of 163 Missouri.

7. Upon the transfer of ownership of any currently 164 165 registered motor vehicle wherein the owner cannot transfer the license plates due to a change of motor vehicle 166 category, the owner may surrender the license plates issued 167 to the motor vehicle and receive credit for any unused 168 portion of the original registration fee against the 169 170 registration fee of another motor vehicle. Such credit 171 shall be granted based upon the date the license plates are 172 surrendered. No refunds shall be made on the unused portion of any license plates surrendered for such credit. 173

8. An additional temporary license plate produced in a manner and of materials determined by the director to be the most cost-effective means of production with a configuration that matches an existing or newly issued plate may be purchased by a motor vehicle owner to be placed in the

179 interior of the vehicle's rear window such that the driver's 180 view out of the rear window is not obstructed and the plate 181 configuration is clearly visible from the outside of the vehicle to serve as the visible plate when a bicycle rack or 182 183 other item obstructs the view of the actual plate. Such 184 temporary plate is only authorized for use when the matching actual plate is affixed to the vehicle in the manner 185 186 prescribed in subsection 5 of section 301.130. The fee 187 charged for the temporary plate shall be equal to the fee 188 charged for a temporary permit issued under subsection 4 of 189 this section. Replacement temporary plates authorized in 190 this subsection may be issued as needed upon the payment of 191 a fee equal to the fee charged for a temporary permit under 192 subsection 4 of this section. The newly produced third 193 plate may only be used on the vehicle with the matching 194 plate, and the additional plate shall be clearly 195 recognizable as a third plate and only used for the purpose specified in this subsection. 196

197 9. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 301.217, the director may issue a temporary permit to an individual 198 199 who possesses a salvage motor vehicle which requires an 200 inspection under subsection 9 of section 301.190. The 201 operation of a salvage motor vehicle for which the permit 202 has been issued shall be limited to the most direct route 203 from the residence, maintenance, or storage facility of the individual in possession of such motor vehicle to the 204 205 nearest authorized inspection facility and return to the originating location. Notwithstanding any other 206 requirements for the issuance of a temporary permit under 207 208 this section, an individual obtaining a temporary permit for 209 the purpose of operating a motor vehicle to and from an examination facility as prescribed in this subsection shall 210

also purchase the required motor vehicle examination form which is required to be completed for an examination under subsection 9 of section 301.190 and provide satisfactory evidence that such vehicle has passed a motor vehicle safety inspection for such vehicle as required in section 307.350.

216 The director of the department of revenue may 10. promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the 217 218 administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a 219 rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is 220 created under the authority delegated in this section shall 221 become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, 222 section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are 223 224 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the 225 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay 226 the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are 227 subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after 228 229 August 28, 2012, shall be invalid and void.

The repeal and reenactment of this section shall 230 11. become effective on the date the department of revenue or a 231 producer authorized by the director of the department of 232 233 revenue begins producing temporary permits described in 234 subsection 4 of such section, or on July 1, 2013, whichever 235 occurs first. If the director of revenue or a producer 236 authorized by the director of the department of revenue 237 begins producing temporary permits prior to July 1, 2013, the director of the department of revenue shall notify the 238 revisor of statutes of such fact. 239

301.142. 1. As used in sections 301.141 to 301.143, 2 the following terms mean:

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(1) "Department", the department of revenue;

4 (2) "Director", the director of the department of5 revenue;

6 (3) "Other authorized health care practitioner" includes advanced practice registered nurses licensed 7 pursuant to chapter 335, physician assistants licensed 8 9 pursuant to chapter 334, chiropractors licensed pursuant to 10 chapter 331, podiatrists licensed pursuant to chapter 330, assistant physicians, physical therapists licensed pursuant 11 to chapter 334, and optometrists licensed pursuant to 12 13 chapter 336;

(4) "Physically disabled", a natural person who is
blind, as defined in section 8.700, or a natural person with
medical disabilities which prohibits, limits, or severely
impairs one's ability to ambulate or walk, as determined by
a licensed physician or other authorized health care
practitioner as follows:

(a) The person cannot ambulate or walk fifty or less
feet without stopping to rest due to a severe and disabling
arthritic, neurological, orthopedic condition, or other
severe and disabling condition; or

(b) The person cannot ambulate or walk without the use
of, or assistance from, a brace, cane, crutch, another
person, prosthetic device, wheelchair, or other assistive
device; or

(c) Is restricted by a respiratory or other disease to
such an extent that the person's forced respiratory
expiratory volume for one second, when measured by
spirometry, is less than one liter, or the arterial oxygen
tension is less than sixty mm/hg on room air at rest; or

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- (d) Uses portable oxygen; or

34 (e) Has a cardiac condition to the extent that the35 person's functional limitations are classified in severity

36 as class III or class IV according to standards set by the 37 American Heart Association; or

(f) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (3) of subsection 16 of this section, a person's age, in and of itself, shall not be a factor in determining whether such person is physically disabled or is otherwise entitled to disabled license plates and/or disabled windshield hanging placards within the meaning of sections 301.141 to 301.143;

44 (5) "Physician", a person licensed to practice45 medicine pursuant to chapter 334;

46 (6) "Physician's statement", a statement personally
47 signed by a duly authorized person which certifies that a
48 person is disabled as defined in this section;

49 (7) "Temporarily disabled person", a disabled person
50 as defined in this section whose disability or incapacity is
51 expected to last no more than one hundred eighty days;

52 (8) "Temporary windshield placard", a placard to be 53 issued to persons who are temporarily disabled persons as 54 defined in this section, certification of which shall be 55 indicated on the physician's statement;

(9) "Windshield placard", a placard to be issued to persons who are physically disabled as defined in this section, certification of which shall be indicated on the physician's statement.

60 2. Other authorized health care practitioners may
61 furnish to a disabled or temporarily disabled person a
62 physician's statement for only those physical health care
63 conditions for which such health care practitioner is
64 legally authorized to diagnose and treat.

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3. A physician's statement shall:

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(1) Be on a form prescribed by the director of revenue;

67 (2) Set forth the specific diagnosis and medical
68 condition which renders the person physically disabled or
69 temporarily disabled as defined in this section;

70 (3) Include the physician's or other authorized health71 care practitioner's license number; and

72 (4) Be personally signed by the issuing physician or73 other authorized health care practitioner.

74 4. If it is the professional opinion of the physician or other authorized health care practitioner issuing the 75 76 statement that the physical disability of the applicant, user, or member of the applicant's household is permanent, 77 it shall be noted on the statement. Otherwise, the 78 79 physician or other authorized health care practitioner shall note on the statement the anticipated length of the 80 disability, which shall determine the expiration date for 81 the temporary windshield placard, and which period shall not 82 exceed one hundred eighty days. If the physician or health 83 care practitioner fails to record an expiration date on the 84 85 physician's statement, the director shall issue a temporary windshield placard for a period of thirty days. 86

87 5. A physician or other authorized health care practitioner who issues or signs a physician's statement so 88 that disabled plates or a disabled windshield placard may be 89 90 obtained shall maintain in such disabled person's medical chart documentation that such a certificate has been issued, 91 92 the date the statement was signed, the diagnosis or 93 condition which existed that qualified the person as disabled pursuant to this section and shall contain 94 sufficient documentation so as to objectively confirm that 95 such condition exists. 96

97 6. The medical or other records of the physician or98 other authorized health care practitioner who issued a

99 physician's statement shall be open to inspection and review 100 by such practitioner's licensing board, in order to verify 101 compliance with this section. Information contained within 102 such records shall be confidential unless required for 103 prosecution, disciplinary purposes, or otherwise required to 104 be disclosed by law.

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Owners of motor vehicles who are residents of the 105 7. 106 state of Missouri, and who are physically disabled, owners 107 of motor vehicles operated at least fifty percent of the 108 time by a physically disabled person, or owners of motor 109 vehicles used to primarily transport physically disabled members of the owner's household may obtain disabled person 110 111 license plates. Such owners, upon application to the director accompanied by the documents and fees provided for 112 in this section, a current physician's statement which has 113 114 been issued within ninety days proceeding the date the 115 application is made, and proof of compliance with the state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of 116 117 motor vehicles, shall be issued motor vehicle license plates for vehicles, other than commercial vehicles with a gross 118 weight in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds, upon which 119 shall be inscribed the international wheelchair 120 accessibility symbol and the word "DISABLED" in addition to 121 122 a combination of letters and numbers. Such license plates 123 shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, 124 and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by 125 section 301.130. If at any time an individual who obtained 126 disabled license plates issued under this subsection no 127 128 longer occupies a residence with a physically disabled 129 person, or no longer owns a vehicle that is operated at least fifty percent of the time by a physically disabled 130

131 person, such individual shall surrender the disabled license 132 plates to the department within thirty days of becoming 133 ineligible for their use.

The director shall further issue, upon request, to 134 8. such applicant one, and for good cause shown, as the 135 136 director may define by rule and regulations, not more than 137 two, removable disabled windshield hanging placards for use when the disabled person is occupying a vehicle or when a 138 vehicle not bearing the permanent handicap plate is being 139 140 used to pick up, deliver, or collect the physically disabled person issued the disabled motor vehicle license plate or 141 disabled windshield hanging placard. 142

143 9. No additional fee shall be paid to the director for the issuance of the special license plates provided in this 144 section, except for special personalized license plates and 145 146 other license plates described in this subsection. Priority 147 for any specific set of special license plates shall be given to the applicant who received the number in the 148 149 immediately preceding license period subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of this section 150 and any applicable rules or regulations issued by the 151 director. If determined feasible by the advisory committee 152 established in section 301.129, any special license plate 153 154 issued pursuant to this section may be adapted to also 155 include the international wheelchair accessibility symbol and the word "DISABLED" as prescribed in this section and 156 157 such plate may be issued to any applicant who meets the requirements of this section and the other appropriate 158 provision of this chapter, subject to the requirements and 159 160 fees of the appropriate provision of this chapter.

10. Any physically disabled person, or the parent orguardian of any such person, or any not-for-profit group,

163 organization, or other entity which transports more than one 164 physically disabled person, may apply to the director of 165 revenue for a removable windshield placard. The placard may be used in motor vehicles which do not bear the permanent 166 167 handicap symbol on the license plate. Such placards must be 168 hung from the front, middle rearview mirror of a parked 169 motor vehicle and may not be hung from the mirror during 170 operation. These placards may only be used during the 171 period of time when the vehicle is being used by a disabled 172 person, or when the vehicle is being used to pick up, 173 deliver, or collect a disabled person, and shall be surrendered to the department, within thirty days, if a 174 group, organization, or entity that obtained the removable 175 176 windshield placard due to the transportation of more than 177 one physically disabled person no longer transports more 178 than one disabled person. When there is no rearview mirror, 179 the placard shall be displayed on the dashboard on the driver's side. 180

181 11. The removable windshield placard shall conform to 182 the specifications, in respect to size, color, and content, as set forth in federal regulations published by the 183 Department of Transportation. The removable windshield 184 185 placard shall be renewed every [four] eight years. The 186 department shall have the authority to automatically renew 187 current valid disabled placards for a duration of eight years, or for the duration that correlates with their 188 189 current physician's statement expiration date, until all 190 permanent disabled placards are on an eight-year renewal 191 cycle. The director may stagger the expiration dates to 192 equalize workload. Only one removable placard may be issued 193 to an applicant who has been issued disabled person license plates. Upon request, one additional windshield placard may 194

195 be issued to an applicant who has not been issued disabled 196 person license plates.

197 12. A temporary windshield placard shall be issued to any physically disabled person, or the parent or quardian of 198 199 any such person who otherwise qualifies except that the 200 physical disability, in the opinion of the physician, is not 201 expected to exceed a period of one hundred eighty days. The 202 temporary windshield placard shall conform to the 203 specifications, in respect to size, color, and content, as 204 set forth in federal regulations published by the Department 205 of Transportation. The fee for the temporary windshield placard shall be two dollars. Upon request, and for good 206 207 cause shown, one additional temporary windshield placard may 208 be issued to an applicant. Temporary windshield placards 209 shall be issued upon presentation of the physician's 210 statement provided by this section and shall be displayed in 211 the same manner as removable windshield placards. A person 212 or entity shall be qualified to possess and display a 213 temporary removable windshield placard for six months and the placard may be renewed once for an additional six months 214 if a physician's statement pursuant to this section is 215 supplied to the director of revenue at the time of renewal. 216

13. A windshield placard shall be renewable only by 217 218 the person or entity to which the placard was originally 219 issued. Any placard issued pursuant to this section shall 220 only be used when the physically disabled occupant for whom 221 the disabled plate or placard was issued is in the motor vehicle at the time of parking or when a physically disabled 222 person is being delivered or collected. A disabled license 223 224 plate and/or a removable windshield hanging placard are not 225 transferable and may not be used by any other person whether disabled or not. 226

227 14. At the time the disabled plates or windshield 228 hanging placards are issued, the director shall issue a 229 registration certificate which shall include the applicant's 230 name, address, and other identifying information as 231 prescribed by the director, or if issued to an agency, such 232 agency's name and address. This certificate shall further contain the disabled license plate number or, for windshield 233 234 hanging placards, the registration or identifying number 235 stamped on the placard. The validated registration receipt 236 given to the applicant shall serve as the registration certificate. 237

238 The director shall, upon issuing any disabled 15. registration certificate for license plates and/or 239 240 windshield hanging placards, provide information which 241 explains that such plates or windshield hanging placards are 242 nontransferable, and the restrictions explaining who and 243 when a person or vehicle which bears or has the disabled plates or windshield hanging placards may be used or be 244 245 parked in a disabled reserved parking space, and the penalties prescribed for violations of the provisions of 246 247 this act.

16. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, every applicant for issuance of a disabled license plate or placard shall be required to present a new physician's statement dated no more than ninety days prior to such application, and for renewal applications a physician's statement dated no more than ninety days prior to such application shall be required every eighth year.

(2) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the
contrary, if the applicant has presented proof of disability
in the form of a statement from the United States Department
of Veterans Affairs verifying that the person is permanently

259 disabled, the applicant shall not be required to provide a 260 physician's statement for the purpose of issuance or renewal 261 of disabled person license plates or windshield placards.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (f) of
subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of this section, any person
seventy-five years of age or older who provided a
physician's statement with the original application shall
not be required to provide a physician's statement for the
purpose of renewal of disabled person license plates or
windshield placards.

269 The director of revenue upon receiving a 17. physician's statement pursuant to this subsection shall 270 check with the state board of registration for the healing 271 272 arts created in section 334.120, or the Missouri state board 273 of nursing established in section 335.021, with respect to 274 physician's statements signed by advanced practice 275 registered nurses, or the Missouri state board of chiropractic examiners established in section 331.090, with 276 277 respect to physician's statements signed by licensed chiropractors, or with the board of optometry established in 278 279 section 336.130, with respect to physician's statements 280 signed by licensed optometrists, or the state board of 281 podiatric medicine created in section 330.100, with respect 282 to physician's statements signed by physicians of the foot 283 or podiatrists to determine whether the physician is duly 284 licensed and registered pursuant to law.

18. The boards shall cooperate with the director and shall supply information requested pursuant to this subsection. The director shall, in cooperation with the boards which shall assist the director, establish a list of all Missouri physicians and other authorized health care

290 practitioners and of any other information necessary to 291 administer this section.

292 19. Where the owner's application is based on the fact that the vehicle is used at least fifty percent of the time 293 294 by a physically disabled person, the applicant shall submit 295 a statement stating this fact, in addition to the physician's statement. The statement shall be signed by 296 both the owner of the vehicle and the physically disabled 297 298 person. The applicant shall be required to submit this 299 statement with each application for license plates. No 300 person shall willingly or knowingly submit a false statement and any such false statement shall be considered perjury and 301 302 may be punishable pursuant to section 301.420.

303 20. The director of revenue shall retain all 304 physicians' statements and all other documents received in 305 connection with a person's application for disabled license 306 plates and/or disabled windshield placards.

307 21. The director of revenue shall enter into 308 reciprocity agreements with other states or the federal 309 government for the purpose of recognizing disabled person 310 license plates or windshield placards issued to physically 311 disabled persons.

When a person to whom disabled person license 312 22. 313 plates or a removable or temporary windshield placard or 314 both have been issued dies, the personal representative of 315 the decedent or such other person who may come into or otherwise take possession of the disabled license plates or 316 disabled windshield placard shall return the same to the 317 director of revenue under penalty of law. Failure to return 318 319 such plates or placards shall constitute a class B 320 misdemeanor.

321 23. The director of revenue may order any person 322 issued disabled person license plates or windshield placards 323 to submit to an examination by a chiropractor, osteopath, or 324 physician, or to such other investigation as will determine 325 whether such person qualifies for the special plates or 326 placards.

327 24. If such person refuses to submit or is found to no
328 longer qualify for special plates or placards provided for
329 in this section, the director of revenue shall collect the
330 special plates or placards, and shall furnish license plates
331 to replace the ones collected as provided by this chapter.

332 25. In the event a removable or temporary windshield 333 placard is lost, stolen, or mutilated, the lawful holder 334 thereof shall, within five days, file with the director of 335 revenue an application and an affidavit stating such fact, 336 in order to purchase a new placard. The fee for the 337 replacement windshield placard shall be four dollars.

Fraudulent application, renewal, issuance, 338 26. 339 procurement or use of disabled person license plates or windshield placards shall be a class A misdemeanor. 340 It is a class B misdemeanor for a physician, chiropractor, 341 podiatrist or optometrist to certify that an individual or 342 family member is qualified for a license plate or windshield 343 344 placard based on a disability, the diagnosis of which is 345 outside their scope of practice or if there is no basis for 346 the diagnosis.

301.147. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section
301.020 to the contrary, beginning July 1, 2000, the
director of revenue may provide owners of motor vehicles,
other than commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of
fifty-four thousand pounds gross weight, the option of
biennially registering motor vehicles. [Any vehicle

7 manufactured as an even-numbered model year vehicle shall be

8 renewed each even-numbered calendar year and any such

9 vehicle manufactured as an odd-numbered model year vehicle

10 shall be renewed each odd-numbered calendar year, subject to 11 the following requirements:]

12 (1) The fee collected at the time of biennial
13 registration shall include the annual registration fee plus
14 a pro rata amount for the additional [twelve] months of the
15 biennial registration[;].

16 (2)Presentation of all documentation otherwise required by law for vehicle registration including, but not 17 limited to, a personal property tax receipt or certified 18 19 statement for the preceding year that no such taxes were due as set forth in section 301.025, proof of a motor vehicle 20 safety inspection and any applicable emission inspection 21 22 conducted within sixty days prior to the date of application and proof of insurance as required by section 303.026. 23

24 2. The director of revenue may prescribe rules and regulations for the effective administration of this 25 The director is authorized to adopt those rules 26 section. that are reasonable and necessary to accomplish the limited 27 duties specifically delegated within this section. Any rule 28 or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 29 30 536.010, that is promulgated pursuant to the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it 31 32 has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 33 536. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant 34 35 to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held 36 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and 37

38 any rule proposed or adopted after July 1, 2000, shall be 39 invalid and void.

The director of revenue shall have the authority to 40 3. stagger the registration period of motor vehicles other than 41 commercial motor vehicles licensed in excess of twelve 42 43 thousand pounds gross weight, to equalize workload or for 44 the convenience of registration applicants. Once the owner 45 of a motor vehicle chooses the option of biennial registration, such registration must be maintained for the 46 47 full twenty-four month period.

301.558. 1. A motor vehicle dealer, trailer dealer,
boat dealer, or powersport dealer may fill in the blanks on
standardized forms in connection with the sale or lease of a
new or used motor vehicle, trailer, vessel, or vessel
trailer if the motor vehicle dealer, trailer dealer, boat
dealer, or powersport dealer does not charge for the
services of filling in the blanks or otherwise charge for
preparing documents.

9 A motor vehicle dealer, trailer dealer, boat 2. dealer, or powersport dealer may charge an administrative 10 fee in connection with the sale or lease of a new or used 11 motor vehicle, trailer, vessel, or vessel trailer for the 12 storage of documents or any other administrative or clerical 13 14 services not prohibited by this section. A portion of the administrative fee may result in profit to the motor vehicle 15 dealer, trailer dealer, boat dealer, or powersport dealer. 16

3. (1) Ten percent of any fee authorized under this
section and charged by motor vehicle dealers or trailer
dealers shall be remitted to the motor vehicle
administration technology fund established in this
subsection, for the development of the system specified in
this subsection. Following the development of the system

specified in this subsection, the director of the department of revenue shall notify motor vehicle dealers and trailer dealers, and implement the system, and the percentage of any fee authorized under this section required to be remitted to the fund shall be reduced to one percent, which shall be used for maintenance of the system. This subsection shall expire on January 1, 2037.

30 There is hereby created in the state treasury the (2)"Motor Vehicle Administration Technology Fund", which shall 31 32 consist of money collected as specified in this subsection. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. 33 Ιn accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state 34 35 treasurer may approve disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and money in the fund shall be used solely by 36 the department of revenue for the purpose of development and 37 maintenance of a modernized, integrated system for the 38 titling of vehicles, issuance and renewal of vehicle 39 registrations, issuance and renewal of driver's licenses and 40 41 identification cards, and perfection and release of liens and encumbrances on vehicles. 42

43 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080
44 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end
45 of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the
46 general revenue fund.

47 (4) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the
48 fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any
49 interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be
50 credited to the fund.

4. No motor vehicle dealer, trailer dealer, boat
dealer, or powersport dealer that sells or leases new or
used motor vehicles, trailers, vessels, or vessel trailers
and imposes an administrative fee of five hundred dollars or

55 less in connection with the sale or lease of a new or used 56 motor vehicle, trailer, vessel, or vessel trailer for the 57 storage of documents or any other administrative or clerical services shall be deemed to be engaging in the unauthorized 58 59 practice of law. The maximum administrative fee permitted 60 under this subsection shall be increased annually by an 61 amount equal to the percentage change in the annual average 62 of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers or its successor index, as reported by the federal Bureau of Labor 63 64 Statistics or its successor agency, or by zero, whichever is greater. The director of the department of revenue shall 65 annually furnish the maximum administrative fee determined 66 67 under this section to the secretary of state, who shall publish such value in the Missouri Register as soon as 68 practicable after January fourteenth of each year. 69

5. If an administrative fee is charged under this section, the same administrative fee shall be charged to all retail customers unless the fee is limited by the dealer's franchise agreement to certain classes of customers. The fee shall be disclosed on the retail buyer's order form as a separate itemized charge.

76 6. A preliminary worksheet on which a sale price is computed and that is shown to the purchaser, a retail 77 78 buyer's order form from the purchaser, or a retail 79 installment contract shall include, in reasonable proximity 80 to the place on the document where the administrative fee 81 authorized by this section is disclosed, the amount of the administrative fee and the following notice in type that is 82 boldfaced, capitalized, underlined, or otherwise 83 84 conspicuously set out from the surrounding written material: "AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE IS NOT AN OFFICIAL 85 FEE AND IS NOT REQUIRED BY LAW BUT MAY BE 86

87 CHARGED BY A DEALER. THIS ADMINISTRATIVE FEE
88 MAY RESULT IN A PROFIT TO DEALER. NO PORTION OF
89 THIS ADMINISTRATIVE FEE IS FOR THE DRAFTING,
90 PREPARATION, OR COMPLETION OF DOCUMENTS OR THE
91 PROVIDING OF LEGAL ADVICE. THIS NOTICE IS
92 REQUIRED BY LAW.".

The general assembly believes that an 93 7. 94 administrative fee charged in compliance with this section 95 is not the unauthorized practice of law or the unauthorized 96 business of law so long as the activity or service for which the fee is charged is in compliance with the provisions of 97 this section and does not result in the waiver of any rights 98 99 or remedies. Recognizing, however, that the judiciary is 100 the sole arbitrator of what constitutes the practice of law, 101 in the event that a court determines that an administrative 102 fee charged in compliance with this section, and that does 103 not waive any rights or remedies of the buyer, is the unauthorized practice of law or the unauthorized business of 104 105 law, then no person who paid that administrative fee may 106 recover said fee or treble damages, as permitted under 107 section 484.020, and no person who charged that fee shall be quilty of a misdemeanor, as provided under section 484.020. 108

301.560. 1. In addition to the application forms
prescribed by the department, each applicant shall submit
the following to the department:

4 (1) Every application other than a renewal application
5 for a new motor vehicle franchise dealer shall include a
6 certification that the applicant has a bona fide established
7 place of business. Such application shall include an annual
8 certification that the applicant has a bona fide established
9 place of business for the first three years and only for
10 every other year thereafter. The certification shall be

performed by a uniformed member of the Missouri state 11 12 highway patrol or authorized or designated employee 13 stationed in the troop area in which the applicant's place of business is located; except that in counties of the first 14 classification, certification may be performed by an officer 15 of a metropolitan police department when the applicant's 16 established place of business of distributing or selling 17 motor vehicles or trailers is in the metropolitan area where 18 the certifying metropolitan police officer is employed. 19 20 When the application is being made for licensure as a boat manufacturer or boat dealer, certification shall be 21 performed by a uniformed member of the Missouri state 22 23 highway patrol or authorized or designated employee stationed in the troop area in which the applicant's place 24 of business is located or, if the applicant's place of 25 business is located within the jurisdiction of a 26 27 metropolitan police department in a first class county, by an officer of such metropolitan police department. 28 A bona 29 fide established place of business for any new motor vehicle franchise dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, boat dealer, 30 powersport dealer, wholesale motor vehicle dealer, trailer 31 dealer, or wholesale or public auction shall be a permanent 32 enclosed building or structure, either owned in fee or 33 34 leased and actually occupied as a place of business by the applicant for the selling, bartering, trading, servicing, or 35 36 exchanging of motor vehicles, boats, personal watercraft, or 37 trailers and wherein the public may contact the owner or operator at any reasonable time, and wherein shall be kept 38 and maintained the books, records, files and other matters 39 required and necessary to conduct the business. 40 The applicant shall maintain a working telephone number during 41 the entire registration year which will allow the public, 42

43 the department, and law enforcement to contact the applicant during regular business hours. The applicant shall also 44 45 maintain an email address during the entire registration year which may be used for official correspondence with the 46 department. In order to qualify as a bona fide established 47 place of business for all applicants licensed pursuant to 48 this section there shall be an exterior sign displayed 49 50 carrying the name of the business set forth in letters at least six inches in height and clearly visible to the public 51 52 and there shall be an area or lot which shall not be a public street on which multiple vehicles, boats, personal 53 watercraft, or trailers may be displayed. The sign shall 54 55 contain the name of the dealership by which it is known to the public through advertising or otherwise, which need not 56 be identical to the name appearing on the dealership's 57 license so long as such name is registered as a fictitious 58 name with the secretary of state, has been approved by its 59 line-make manufacturer in writing in the case of a new motor 60 61 vehicle franchise dealer and a copy of such fictitious name registration has been provided to the department. Dealers 62 who sell only emergency vehicles as defined in section 63 301.550 are exempt from maintaining a bona fide place of 64 business, including the related law enforcement 65 certification requirements, and from meeting the minimum 66 yearly sales; 67

(2) The initial application for licensure shall
include a photograph, not to exceed eight inches by ten
inches but no less than five inches by seven inches, showing
the business building, lot, and sign. A new motor vehicle
franchise dealer applicant who has purchased a currently
licensed new motor vehicle franchised dealership shall be
allowed to submit a photograph of the existing dealership

building, lot and sign but shall be required to submit a new photograph upon the installation of the new dealership sign as required by sections 301.550 to 301.580. Applicants shall not be required to submit a photograph annually unless the business has moved from its previously licensed location, or unless the name of the business or address has changed, or unless the class of business has changed;

82 Every applicant as a new motor vehicle franchise (3) dealer, a used motor vehicle dealer, a powersport dealer, a 83 84 wholesale motor vehicle dealer, trailer dealer, or boat dealer shall furnish with the application a corporate surety 85 bond or an irrevocable letter of credit as defined in 86 87 section 400.5-102, issued by any state or federal financial institution in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars on a 88 form approved by the department. The bond or irrevocable 89 letter of credit shall be conditioned upon the dealer 90 91 complying with the provisions of the statutes applicable to new motor vehicle franchise dealers, used motor vehicle 92 93 dealers, powersport dealers, wholesale motor vehicle dealers, trailer dealers, and boat dealers, and the bond 94 shall be an indemnity for any loss sustained by reason of 95 the acts of the person bonded when such acts constitute 96 grounds for the suspension or revocation of the dealer's 97 98 license. The bond shall be executed in the name of the 99 state of Missouri for the benefit of all aggrieved parties 100 or the irrevocable letter of credit shall name the state of 101 Missouri as the beneficiary; except, that the aggregate liability of the surety or financial institution to the 102 aggrieved parties shall, in no event, exceed the amount of 103 104 the bond or irrevocable letter of credit. Additionally, 105 every applicant as a new motor vehicle franchise dealer, a used motor vehicle dealer, a powersport dealer, a wholesale 106

107 motor vehicle dealer, or boat dealer shall furnish with the 108 application a copy of a current dealer garage policy bearing 109 the policy number and name of the insurer and the insured. The proceeds of the bond or irrevocable letter of credit 110 111 furnished by an applicant shall be paid upon receipt by the 112 department of a final judgment from a Missouri court of 113 competent jurisdiction against the principal and in favor of 114 an aggrieved party. The proceeds of the bond or irrevocable letter of credit furnished by an applicant shall be paid at 115 116 the order of the department and in the amount determined by the department to any buyer or interested lienholder up to 117 the greater of the amount required for the release of the 118 119 purchase money lien or the sales price paid by the buyer 120 where a dealer has failed to fulfill the dealer's 121 obligations under an agreement to assign and deliver title 122 to the buyer within thirty days under a contract entered 123 into pursuant to subsection 5 of section 301.210. The department shall direct release of the bond or irrevocable 124 125 letter of credit proceeds upon presentation of a written agreement entered into pursuant to subsection 5 of section 126 301.210, copies of the associated sales and finance 127 documents, and the affidavit or affidavits of the buyer or 128 lienholder stating that the certificate of title with 129 130 assignment thereof has not been passed to the buyer within 131 thirty days of the date of the contract entered into under subsection 5 of section 301.210, that the dealer has not 132 133 fulfilled the agreement under the contract to repurchase the vehicle, that the buyer or the lienholder has notified the 134 dealer of the claim on the bond or letter of credit, and the 135 136 amount claimed by the purchaser or lienholder. In addition, prior to directing release and payment of the proceeds of a 137 bond or irrevocable letter of credit, the department shall 138

139 ensure that there is satisfactory evidence to establish that 140 the vehicle which is subject to the written agreement has 141 been returned by the buyer to the dealer or that the buyer has represented to the department that the buyer will 142 143 surrender possession of the vehicle to the dealer upon 144 payment of the proceeds of the bond or letter of credit directed by the department. Excepting ordinary wear and 145 146 tear or mechanical failures not caused by the buyer, the amount of proceeds to be paid to the buyer under the bond or 147 148 irrevocable letter of credit shall be reduced by an amount equivalent to any damage, abuse, or destruction incurred by 149 the vehicle while the vehicle was in the buyer's possession 150 151 as agreed between the buyer and the dealer. The dealer may 152 apply to a court of competent jurisdiction to contest the 153 claim on the bond or letter of credit, including the amount 154 of the claim and the amount of any adjustment for any 155 damage, abuse, or destruction, by filing a petition with the court within thirty days of the notification by the buyer or 156 157 lienholder. If the dealer does not fulfill the agreement or file a petition to request judicial relief from the terms of 158 the agreement or contest the amount of the claim, the bond 159 or letter of credit shall be released by the department and 160 directed paid in the amount or amounts presented by the 161 162 lienholder or buyer;

163 Payment of all necessary license fees as (4) 164 established by the department. In establishing the amount of the annual license fees, the department shall, as near as 165 possible, produce sufficient total income to offset 166 operational expenses of the department relating to the 167 168 administration of sections 301.550 to 301.580. All fees payable pursuant to the provisions of sections 301.550 to 169 170 301.580[, other than those fees collected for the issuance

171 of dealer plates or certificates of number collected pursuant to subsection 6 of this section,] shall be 172 173 collected by the department for deposit in the state 174 treasury to the credit of the "Motor Vehicle Commission 175 Fund", which is hereby created. The motor vehicle 176 commission fund shall be administered by the Missouri department of revenue. The provisions of section 33.080 to 177 178 the contrary notwithstanding, money in such fund shall not 179 be transferred and placed to the credit of the general 180 revenue fund until the amount in the motor vehicle commission fund at the end of the biennium exceeds two times 181 the amount of the appropriation from such fund for the 182 183 preceding fiscal year or, if the department requires permit 184 renewal less frequently than yearly, then three times the 185 appropriation from such fund for the preceding fiscal year. 186 The amount, if any, in the fund which shall lapse is that 187 amount in the fund which exceeds the multiple of the appropriation from such fund for the preceding fiscal year. 188

189 2. In the event a new vehicle manufacturer, boat 190 manufacturer, motor vehicle dealer, wholesale motor vehicle 191 dealer, boat dealer, powersport dealer, wholesale motor vehicle auction, trailer dealer, or a public motor vehicle 192 auction submits an application for a license for a new 193 194 business and the applicant has complied with all the 195 provisions of this section, the department shall make a 196 decision to grant or deny the license to the applicant 197 within eight working hours after receipt of the dealer's application, notwithstanding any rule of the department. 198

199 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 of 200 this section, upon the initial issuance of a license by the 201 department, the department shall assign a distinctive dealer 202 license number or certificate of number to the applicant and

203 the department shall issue one number plate or certificate 204 bearing the distinctive dealer license number or certificate 205 of number and two additional number plates or certificates of number within eight working hours after presentment of 206 207 the application and payment by the applicant of a fee of 208 fifty dollars for the first plate or certificate and ten dollars and fifty cents for each additional plate or 209 210 certificate. Upon renewal, the department shall issue [the 211 distinctive dealer license number or certificate of number] 212 a renewal tab to be placed on the lower right corner of the 213 **plate or certificate** as guickly as possible. The fee for the tabs shall be twenty-five dollars for the first tab and 214 six dollars for each additional tab. The issuance of such 215 distinctive dealer license number or certificate of number, 216 217 and tab or tabs, shall be in lieu of registering each motor vehicle, trailer, vessel or vessel trailer dealt with by a 218 219 boat dealer, boat manufacturer, manufacturer, public motor vehicle auction, wholesale motor vehicle dealer, wholesale 220 221 motor vehicle auction or new or used motor vehicle dealer. The license plates described in this section shall be made 222 with fully reflective material with a common color scheme 223 and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be 224 aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. 225

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of the law to
the contrary, the department shall assign the following
distinctive dealer license numbers to:

| 229 | New motor vehicle franchise dealers | D-0 through D-999 |
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| 230 | New powersport dealers | D-1000 through D-1999 |
| 231 232 | Used motor vehicle and used powersport dealers | D-2000 through D-9999 |

| 233 | Wholesale motor vehicle dealers | W-0 | through | W-1999 |
|------------|---|------|---------|--------|
| 234 | Wholesale motor vehicle auctions | WA-0 | through | WA-999 |
| 235 | New and used trailer dealers | T-0 | through | T-9999 |
| 236 237 | Motor vehicle, trailer, and boat manufacturers | DM-0 | through | DM-999 |
| 238 | Public motor vehicle auctions | A-0 | through | A-1999 |
| 239 | Boat dealers | M-0 | through | M-9999 |
| 240 241 | New and used recreational motor vehicle dealers | RV-0 | through | RV-999 |

242 For purposes of this subsection, qualified transactions 243 shall include the purchase of salvage titled vehicles by a licensed salvage dealer. A used motor vehicle dealer who 244 245 also holds a salvage dealer's license shall be allowed one additional plate or certificate number per fifty-unit 246 qualified transactions annually. In order for salvage 247 248 dealers to obtain number plates or certificates under this 249 section, dealers shall submit to the department of revenue 250 on August first of each year a statement certifying, under penalty of perjury, the dealer's number of purchases during 251 252 the reporting period of July first of the immediately 253 preceding year to June thirtieth of the present year. The 254 provisions of this subsection shall become effective on the 255 date the director of the department of revenue begins to 256 reissue new license plates under section 301.130, or on 257 December 1, 2008, whichever occurs first. If the director of revenue begins reissuing new license plates under the 258 authority granted under section 301.130 prior to December 1, 259

2008, the director of the department of revenue shall notifythe revisor of statutes of such fact.

262 5. Upon the sale of a currently licensed motor vehicle dealership the department shall, upon request, authorize the 263 264 new approved dealer applicant to retain the selling dealer's 265 license number and shall cause the new dealer's records to indicate such transfer. If the new approved dealer 266 267 applicant elects not to retain the selling dealer's license 268 number, the department shall issue the new dealer applicant 269 a new dealer's license number and an equal number of plates 270 or certificates as the department had issued to the selling 271 dealer.

272 6. In the case of motor vehicle dealers, the 273 department shall issue one number plate bearing the 274 distinctive dealer license number and may issue one 275 additional number plate to the applicant upon payment by the 276 dealer of a fifty dollar fee for the number plate bearing the distinctive dealer license number and ten dollars and 277 278 fifty cents for the additional number plate. The department may issue a third plate to the motor vehicle dealer upon 279 completion of the dealer's fifteenth qualified transaction 280 281 and payment of a fee of ten dollars and fifty cents. In the 282 case of new motor vehicle manufacturers, powersport dealers, 283 recreational motor vehicle dealers, and trailer dealers, the 284 department shall issue one number plate bearing the 285 distinctive dealer license number and may issue two 286 additional number plates to the applicant upon payment by the manufacturer or dealer of a fifty dollar fee for the 287 number plate bearing the distinctive dealer license number 288 289 and ten dollars and fifty cents for each additional number 290 plate. Boat dealers and boat manufacturers shall be entitled to one certificate of number bearing such number 291

292 upon the payment of a fifty dollar fee. Additional number 293 plates and as many additional certificates of number may be 294 obtained upon payment of a fee of ten dollars and fifty cents for each additional plate or certificate. New motor 295 296 vehicle manufacturers shall not be issued or possess more 297 than three hundred forty-seven additional number plates or certificates of number annually. New and used motor vehicle 298 299 dealers, powersport dealers, wholesale motor vehicle 300 dealers, boat dealers, and trailer dealers are limited to 301 one additional plate or certificate of number per ten-unit qualified transactions annually. New and used recreational 302 motor vehicle dealers are limited to two additional plates 303 304 or certificate of number per ten-unit qualified transactions 305 annually for their first fifty transactions and one 306 additional plate or certificate of number per ten-unit qualified transactions thereafter. An applicant seeking the 307 308 issuance of an initial license shall indicate on his or her 309 initial application the applicant's proposed annual number 310 of sales in order for the director to issue the appropriate number of additional plates or certificates of number. 311 Α motor vehicle dealer, trailer dealer, boat dealer, 312 powersport dealer, recreational motor vehicle dealer, motor 313 vehicle manufacturer, boat manufacturer, or wholesale motor 314 315 vehicle dealer obtaining a distinctive dealer license plate 316 or certificate of number or additional license plate or 317 additional certificate of number, throughout the calendar 318 year, shall be required to pay a fee for such license plates or certificates of number computed on the basis of one-319 twelfth of the full fee prescribed for the original and 320 321 duplicate number plates or certificates of number for such 322 dealers' licenses, multiplied by the number of months remaining in the licensing period for which the dealer or 323

324 manufacturers shall be required to be licensed. In the 325 event of a renewing dealer, the fee due at the time of 326 renewal shall not be prorated. Wholesale and public 327 auctions shall be issued a certificate of dealer 328 registration in lieu of a dealer number plate. In order for 329 dealers to obtain number plates or certificates under this 330 section, dealers shall submit to the department of revenue 331 on August first of each year a statement certifying, under 332 penalty of perjury, the dealer's number of sales during the 333 reporting period of July first of the immediately preceding year to June thirtieth of the present year. 334

The plates issued pursuant to subsection 3 or 6 of 335 7. 336 this section may be displayed on any motor vehicle owned by 337 a new motor vehicle manufacturer. The plates issued 338 pursuant to subsection 3 or 6 of this section may be 339 displayed on any motor vehicle or trailer owned and held for 340 resale by a motor vehicle dealer for use by a customer who 341 is test driving the motor vehicle, for use by any customer 342 while the customer's vehicle is being serviced or repaired by the motor vehicle dealer, for use and display purposes 343 during, but not limited to, parades, private events, 344 charitable events, or for use by an employee or officer, but 345 shall not be displayed on any motor vehicle or trailer hired 346 347 or loaned to others or upon any regularly used service or 348 wrecker vehicle. Motor vehicle dealers may display their 349 dealer plates on a tractor, truck or trailer to demonstrate a vehicle under a loaded condition. 350 Trailer dealers may display their dealer license plates in like manner, except 351 352 such plates may only be displayed on trailers owned and held 353 for resale by the trailer dealer.

354 8. The certificates of number issued pursuant to355 subsection 3 or 6 of this section may be displayed on any

356 vessel or vessel trailer owned and held for resale by a boat 357 manufacturer or a boat dealer, and used by a customer who is 358 test driving the vessel or vessel trailer, or is used by an employee or officer on a vessel or vessel trailer only, but 359 360 shall not be displayed on any motor vehicle owned by a boat 361 manufacturer, boat dealer, or trailer dealer, or vessel or vessel trailer hired or loaned to others or upon any 362 363 regularly used service vessel or vessel trailer. Boat 364 dealers and boat manufacturers may display their certificate 365 of number on a vessel or vessel trailer when transporting a vessel or vessels to an exhibit or show. 366

367 9. If any law enforcement officer has probable cause
368 to believe that any license plate or certificate of number
369 issued under subsection 3 or 6 of this section is being
370 misused in violation of subsection 7 or 8 of this section,
371 the license plate or certificate of number may be seized and
372 surrendered to the department.

(1) Every application for the issuance of a used 373 10. motor vehicle dealer's license shall be accompanied by proof 374 that the applicant, within the last twelve months, has 375 376 completed an educational seminar course approved by the 377 department as prescribed by subdivision (2) of this subsection. Wholesale and public auto auctions and 378 379 applicants currently holding a new or used license for a 380 separate dealership shall be exempt from the requirements of this subsection. The provisions of this subsection shall 381 not apply to current new motor vehicle franchise dealers or 382 motor vehicle leasing agencies or applicants for a new motor 383 vehicle franchise or a motor vehicle leasing agency. 384 The 385 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to used motor 386 vehicle dealers who were licensed prior to August 28, 2006.

387 (2) The educational seminar shall include, but is not
388 limited to, the dealer requirements of sections 301.550 to
389 301.580, the rules promulgated to implement, enforce, and
390 administer sections 301.550 to 301.580, and any other rules
391 and regulations promulgated by the department.

301.570. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, partnership, corporation, company or association, unless the 2 3 seller is a financial institution, or is selling repossessed motor vehicles or is disposing of vehicles used and titled 4 5 solely in its ordinary course of business or is a collector of antique motor vehicles, to sell or display with an intent 6 7 [six] **eight** or more motor vehicles in a calendar to sell 8 year, except when such motor vehicles are registered in the 9 name of the seller, unless such person, partnership, corporation, company or association is: 10

(1) Licensed as a motor vehicle dealer by the
department under the provisions of sections 301.550 to
301.580;

14 (2) Exempt from licensure as a motor vehicle dealer15 pursuant to subsection 4 of section 301.559;

16 (3) Selling commercial motor vehicles with a gross
17 weight of at least nineteen thousand five hundred pounds,
18 but only with respect to such commercial motor vehicles;

19 (4) An auctioneer, acting at the request of the owner
20 at an auction, when such auction is not a public motor
21 vehicle auction.

2. Any person, partnership, corporation, company or
association that has reason to believe that the provisions
of this section are being violated shall file a complaint
with the prosecuting attorney in the county in which the
violation occurred. The prosecuting attorney shall
investigate the complaint and take appropriate action.

28 3. For the purposes of sections 301.550 to 301.580, 29 the sale, barter, exchange, lease or rental with option to 30 purchase of [six] eight or more motor vehicles in a calendar year by any person, partnership, corporation, company or 31 32 association, whether or not the motor vehicles are owned by them, shall be prima facie evidence of intent to make a 33 34 profit or gain of money and such person, partnership, 35 corporation, company or association shall be deemed to be acting as a motor vehicle dealer without a license. 36

4. Any person, partnership, corporation, company or
association who violates subsection 1 of this section is
guilty of a class A misdemeanor. A second or subsequent
conviction shall be deemed a class E felony.

41 5. The provisions of this section shall not apply to42 liquidation of an estate.

307.350. 1. The owner of every motor vehicle as
defined in section 301.010 which is required to be
registered in this state, except:

4 (1) Motor vehicles having less than one hundred fifty
5 thousand miles, for the ten-year period following their
6 model year of manufacture, excluding prior salvage vehicles
7 immediately following a rebuilding process and vehicles
8 subject to the provisions of section 307.380;

9 Those motor vehicles which are engaged in (2)10 interstate commerce and are proportionately registered in 11 this state with the Missouri highway reciprocity commission, 12 although the owner may request that such vehicle be inspected by an official inspection station, and a peace 13 officer may stop and inspect such vehicles to determine 14 15 whether the mechanical condition is in compliance with the safety regulations established by the United States 16 Department of Transportation; and 17

18 (3) Historic motor vehicles registered pursuant to19 section 301.131;

20 (4) Vehicles registered in excess of twenty-four21 thousand pounds for a period of less than twelve months;

22 shall submit such vehicles to a biennial inspection of their mechanism and equipment in accordance with the provisions of 23 sections 307.350 to 307.390 and obtain a certificate of 24 inspection and approval and a sticker, seal, or other device 25 from a duly authorized official inspection station. 26 The 27 inspection, except the inspection of school buses which shall be made at the time provided in section 307.375, shall 28 29 be made at the time prescribed in the rules and regulations issued by the superintendent of the Missouri state highway 30 31 patrol; but the inspection of a vehicle shall not be made more than sixty days prior to the date of application for 32 registration or within sixty days of when a vehicle's 33 34 registration is transferred; however, if a vehicle was purchased from a motor vehicle dealer and a valid inspection 35 had been made within sixty days of the purchase date, the 36 37 new owner shall be able to utilize an inspection performed within ninety days prior to the application for registration 38 Any vehicle manufactured as an even-numbered 39 or transfer. model year vehicle shall be inspected and approved pursuant 40 41 to the safety inspection program established pursuant to sections 307.350 to 307.390 in each even-numbered calendar 42 43 year and any such vehicle manufactured as an odd-numbered model year vehicle shall be inspected and approved pursuant 44 45 to sections 307.350 to 307.390 in each odd-numbered year.] The certificate of inspection and approval shall be a 46 sticker, seal, or other device or combination thereof, as 47 48 the superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol

49 prescribes by regulation and shall be displayed upon the 50 motor vehicle or trailer as prescribed by the regulations 51 established by him. The replacement of certificates of 52 inspection and approval which are lost or destroyed shall be 53 made by the superintendent of the Missouri state highway 54 patrol under regulations prescribed by him.

2. For the purpose of obtaining an inspection only, it 55 56 shall be lawful to operate a vehicle over the most direct route between the owner's usual place of residence and an 57 58 inspection station of such owner's choice, notwithstanding 59 the fact that the vehicle does not have a current state registration license. It shall also be lawful to operate 60 61 such a vehicle from an inspection station to another place where repairs may be made and to return the vehicle to the 62 inspection station notwithstanding the absence of a current 63 64 state registration license.

65 3. No person whose motor vehicle was duly inspected 66 and approved as provided in this section shall be required 67 to have the same motor vehicle again inspected and approved 68 for the sole reason that such person wishes to obtain a set of any special personalized license plates available 69 70 pursuant to section 301.144 or a set of any license plates 71 available pursuant to section 301.142, prior to the 72 expiration date of such motor vehicle's current registration.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the
contrary, a valid safety inspection shall be required for
all registration issuances and renewals of a motor vehicle
subject to safety inspection under this section.

77 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 307.390,78 violation of this section shall be deemed an infraction.

643.315. 1. Except as provided in sections 643.300 to643.355, all motor vehicles which are domiciled, registered

3 or primarily operated in an area for which the commission 4 has established a motor vehicle emissions inspection program 5 pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355 shall be inspected and approved prior to sale or transfer; provided that, if 6 7 such vehicle is inspected and approved prior to sale or 8 transfer, such vehicle shall not be subject to another 9 emissions inspection for ninety days after the date of sale 10 or transfer of such vehicle. [In addition, any such vehicle manufactured as an even-numbered model year vehicle shall be 11 12 inspected and approved under the emissions inspection program established pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355 13 in each even-numbered calendar year and any such vehicle 14 15 manufactured as an odd-numbered model year vehicle shall be inspected and approved under the emissions inspection 16 program established pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355 17 18 in each odd-numbered calendar year.] All motor vehicles subject to the inspection requirements of sections 643.300 19 20 to 643.355 shall display a valid emissions inspection 21 sticker, and when applicable, a valid emissions inspection 22 certificate shall be presented at the time of registration or registration renewal of such motor vehicle. 23 The department of revenue shall require evidence of the safety 24 and emission inspection and approval required by this 25 26 section in issuing the motor vehicle [annual] registration in conformity with the procedure required by sections 27 307.350 to 307.390 and sections 643.300 to 643.355. 28 The 29 director of revenue may verify that a successful safety and 30 emissions inspection was completed via electronic means. 31 2. The inspection requirement of subsection 1 of this

32 section shall apply to all motor vehicles except:

33 (1) Motor vehicles with a manufacturer's gross vehicle
34 weight rating in excess of eight thousand five hundred
35 pounds;

36 (2) Motorcycles and motortricycles if such vehicles 37 are exempted from the motor vehicle emissions inspection 38 under federal regulation and approved by the commission by 39 rule;

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(3) Model year vehicles manufactured prior to 1996;

41 (4) Vehicles which are powered exclusively by electric
42 or hydrogen power or by fuels other than gasoline which are
43 exempted from the motor vehicle emissions inspection under
44 federal regulation and approved by the commission by rule;

45 (5) Motor vehicles registered in an area subject to the inspection requirements of sections 643.300 to 643.355 46 which are domiciled and operated exclusively in an area of 47 the state not subject to the inspection requirements of 48 49 sections 643.300 to 643.355, but only if the owner of such vehicle presents to the department an affidavit that the 50 51 vehicle will be operated exclusively in an area of the state not subject to the inspection requirements of sections 52 643.300 to 643.355 for the next twenty-four months, and the 53 owner applies for and receives a waiver which shall be 54 presented at the time of registration or registration 55 56 renewal;

(6) New and unused motor vehicles, of model years of the current calendar year and of any calendar year within two years of such calendar year, which have an odometer reading of less than six thousand miles at the time of original sale by a motor vehicle manufacturer or licensed motor vehicle dealer to the first user;

63 (7) Historic motor vehicles registered pursuant to64 section 301.131;

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(8) School buses;

66 (9) Heavy-duty diesel-powered vehicles with a gross
67 vehicle weight rating in excess of eight thousand five
68 hundred pounds;

New motor vehicles that have not been previously 69 (10)70 titled and registered, for the four-year period following their model year of manufacture, provided the odometer 71 72 reading for such motor vehicles are under forty thousand 73 miles at their first required biennial safety inspection 74 conducted under sections 307.350 to 307.390; otherwise such motor vehicles shall be subject to the emissions inspection 75 requirements of subsection 1 of this section during the same 76 period that the biennial safety inspection is conducted; 77

78 (11) Motor vehicles that are driven fewer than twelve79 thousand miles between biennial safety inspections; and

Qualified plug-in electric drive vehicles. For 80 (12)81 the purposes of this section, "qualified plug-in electric drive vehicle" shall mean a plug-in electric drive vehicle 82 83 that is made by a manufacturer, has not been modified from original manufacturer specifications, and can operate solely 84 on electric power and is capable of recharging its battery 85 from an on-board generation source and an off-board 86 electricity source. 87

3. The commission may, by rule, allow inspection
reciprocity with other states having equivalent or more
stringent testing and waiver requirements than those
established pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355.

92 4. (1) At the time of sale, a licensed motor vehicle
93 dealer, as defined in section 301.550, may choose to sell a
94 motor vehicle subject to the inspection requirements of
95 sections 643.300 to 643.355 either:

96 (a) With prior inspection and approval as provided in97 subdivision (2) of this subsection; or

98 (b) Without prior inspection and approval as provided99 in subdivision (3) of this subsection.

100 If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle with (2)101 prior inspection and approval, the dealer shall disclose, in writing, prior to sale, whether the vehicle obtained 102 103 approval by meeting the emissions standards established 104 pursuant to sections 643.300 to 643.355 or by obtaining a 105 waiver pursuant to section 643.335. A vehicle sold pursuant 106 to this subdivision by a licensed motor vehicle dealer shall 107 be inspected and approved within the one hundred twenty days 108 immediately preceding the date of sale, and, for the purpose 109 of registration of such vehicle, such inspection shall be 110 considered timely.

111 (3) If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle without 112 prior inspection and approval, the purchaser may return the vehicle within ten days of the date of purchase, provided 113 114 that the vehicle has no more than one thousand additional miles since the time of sale, if the vehicle fails, upon 115 inspection, to meet the emissions standards specified by the 116 117 commission and the dealer shall have the vehicle inspected and approved without the option for a waiver of the 118 119 emissions standard and return the vehicle to the purchaser 120 with a valid emissions certificate and sticker within five 121 working days or the purchaser and dealer may enter into any 122 other mutually acceptable agreement. If the dealer chooses to sell the vehicle without prior inspection and approval, 123 124 the dealer shall disclose conspicuously on the sales 125 contract and bill of sale that the purchaser has the option to return the vehicle within ten days, provided that the 126 vehicle has no more than one thousand additional miles since 127

128 the time of sale, to have the dealer repair the vehicle and 129 provide an emissions certificate and sticker within five 130 working days if the vehicle fails, upon inspection, to meet the emissions standards established by the commission, or 131 132 enter into any mutually acceptable agreement with the 133 dealer. A violation of this subdivision shall be an unlawful practice as defined in section 407.020. No 134 135 emissions inspection shall be required pursuant to sections 136 643.300 to 643.360 for the sale of any motor vehicle which 137 may be sold without a certificate of inspection and 138 approval, as provided pursuant to subsection 2 of section 307.380. 139

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140 5. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the 141 contrary, a valid emissions inspection shall be required for 142 all registration issuances and renewals of a motor vehicle 143 subject to emissions inspection under this section.

Section B. Section A of this act shall take effect as soon as technologically possible following the development 2 3 and maintenance of a modernized, integrated system for the titling of vehicles, issuance and renewal of vehicle 4 5 registrations, issuance and renewal of driver's licenses and 6 identification cards, and perfection and release of liens 7 and encumbrances on vehicles, to be funded by the motor 8 vehicle administration technology fund as created in section 9 301.558. Following the development of the system, the 10 director of the department of revenue shall notify the governor, the secretary of state, and the revisor of 11 statutes, and shall implement the provisions of this act. 12

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