

HOUSE BILL No. 2624

By Committee on Transportation

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1 AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to distinctive license plates;
2 allowing distinctive license plates to be personalized license plates;
3 amending K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 8-1,141 and repealing the existing
4 section.

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

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 8-1,141 is hereby amended to read as
8 follows: 8-1,141. (a) *(1) Except as provided in subsection (a)(2), any new*
9 *distinctive license plate authorized for issuance on and after July 1, 1994,*
10 *shall be subject to the personalized license plate fee prescribed by K.S.A.*
11 *8-132(c), and amendments thereto. This section shall not apply to any*
12 *distinctive license plate authorized prior to July 1, 1994.*

13 *(2) Any distinctive license plate may be a personalized license plate*
14 *subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-132, and amendments thereto. Any*
15 *personalized distinctive license plate shall be subject to a fee that is*
16 *double the amount prescribed by K.S.A. 8-132(c), and amendments*
17 *thereto.*

18 (b) The director of vehicles shall not issue any new distinctive license
19 plate authorized for issuance on and after July 1, 1995, unless there is a
20 guarantee of an initial issuance of at least 500 license plates.

21 (c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to distinctive license
22 plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,145, *and amendments*
23 *thereto*, or K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 8-177d, 8-1,163, 8-1,166, 8-1,185, 8-1,186,
24 8-1,187 or 8-1,188, and amendments thereto.

25 (d) The provisions of subsection (a), shall not apply to distinctive
26 license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,146 or 8-1,148,
27 and amendments thereto, or K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 8-1,153, 8-1,158 or 8-
28 1,161, and amendments thereto.

29 (e) The provisions of subsection (f) shall not apply to distinctive
30 license plates issued under the provisions of K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 8-1,160
31 and 8-1,183, and amendments thereto, except that the division shall delay
32 the manufacturing and issuance of such distinctive license plate until the
33 division has received not less than 1,000 orders for such plate, including
34 payment of the personalized license plate fee required under subsection
35 (a). Upon certification by the director of vehicles to the director of
36 accounts and reports that not less than 1,000 paid orders for such plate

1 have been received, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer
2 \$40,000 from the state highway fund to the distinctive license plate fund.

3 (f) (1) Any person or organization sponsoring any distinctive license
4 plate authorized by the legislature on and after July 1, 2004, shall submit
5 to the division of vehicles a nonrefundable amount not to exceed \$20,000,
6 to defray the division's cost for developing such distinctive license plate.

7 (2) All moneys received under this subsection shall be remitted by the
8 secretary of revenue to the state treasurer in accordance with the
9 provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of
10 each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in
11 the state treasury to the credit of the distinctive license plate fund which is
12 hereby created in the state treasury. All moneys credited to the distinctive
13 license plate fund shall be used by the department of revenue only for the
14 purpose associated with the development of distinctive license plates. All
15 expenditures from the distinctive license plate application fee fund shall be
16 made in accordance with appropriation acts, upon warrants of the director
17 of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the
18 secretary of the department of revenue.

19 (g) (1) Except for educational institution license plates issued under
20 K.S.A. 8-1,142, and amendments thereto, the director of vehicles shall
21 discontinue the issuance of any distinctive license plate authorized prior to
22 July 1, 2004, ~~and which~~ *that* is subject to the provisions of subsection (b)
23 if:

24 ~~(A) Less than 500 license plates, including annual renewals, are~~
25 ~~issued for that distinctive license plate by July 1, 2006; and~~

26 ~~(B) less fewer than 250 license plates, including annual renewals, are~~
27 ~~issued for that distinctive license plate during any subsequent two-year~~
28 ~~period after July 1, 2006.~~

29 (2) The director of vehicles shall discontinue the issuance of any
30 distinctive license plate authorized on and after July 1, 2004, if:

31 ~~(A) Less Fewer than 500 license plates, including annual renewals,~~
32 ~~are issued for that distinctive license plate by the end of the second year of~~
33 ~~sales; and~~

34 ~~(B) less fewer than 250 license plates, including annual renewals, are~~
35 ~~issued for that distinctive license plate during any subsequent two-year~~
36 ~~period.~~

37 (h) An application for any distinctive license plate issued after
38 December 31, 2012, and the corresponding royalty fee may be collected
39 either by the county treasurer or the entity benefiting from the issuance of
40 the distinctive license plate. Annual royalty payments collected by the
41 county treasurers shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with
42 the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt
43 of each such remittance the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount

1 in the state treasury to the credit of a segregated royalty fund which shall
2 be administered by the state treasurer. All expenditures from the royalty
3 fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of
4 the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved
5 by the state treasurer or the state treasurer's designee. Payments from the
6 royalty fund shall be made to the entity benefiting from the issuance of the
7 distinctive license plate on a monthly basis.

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

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

19 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 8-1,141 is hereby repealed.

20 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
21 publication in the statute book.