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# **HOUSE BILL NO. 831**

### 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### **AN ACT**

To amend chapter 301, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to the establishment of a special license plate.

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

Section A. Chapter 301, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 301.3067 and 301.3174, to read as follows:

301.3067. 1. Any Missouri resident may receive special license plates as prescribed in this section after an annual payment of an emblem use authorization fee to the Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities. The Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities hereby authorizes the use of its official utility worker emblem to be affixed on multiyear personalized license plates as provided in this section for any vehicle the person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight. Any contribution to such association derived from this section, except reasonable administrative costs, shall be used solely for financial assistance for utility worker training programs. Any Missouri resident may annually apply to the association for the use of the emblem.

2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five dollar emblem-use contribution to the Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities, the association shall issue to the vehicle owner, without further charge, an emblem-use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the vehicle owner to the department of revenue at the time of registration of a motor vehicle. Upon presentation of the annual statement and payment of the fee required for personalized license plates in section 301.144, and other fees and

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documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue shall issue personalized license plates, which shall bear the emblem of the Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities utility worker, to the vehicle owner.

- 3. The license plate authorized by this section shall be of a design submitted by the Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities and approved by the department, shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. The bidding process used to select a vendor for the material to manufacture the license plates authorized by this section shall consider the aesthetic appearance of the plates.
- 4. A vehicle owner, who was previously issued plates with the Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities' utility worker emblem authorized by this section but who does not provide an emblem-use authorization statement at a subsequent time of registration, shall be issued new plates which do not bear the Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities' utility worker emblem, as otherwise provided by law. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and regulations for the enforcement of this section, and shall design all necessary forms required by this section.
- 301.3174. 1. Any Missouri resident may receive special license plates as prescribed in this section after an annual payment of an emblem use authorization fee to the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives. The Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives hereby authorizes the use of its official Lineman emblem to be affixed on multiyear personalized license plates as provided in this section for any vehicle the person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight. Any contribution to such association derived from this section, except reasonable administrative costs, shall be used solely for financial assistance for Lineman training programs. Any Missouri resident may annually apply to the association for the use of the emblem.
- 2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five dollar emblem-use contribution to the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives, the association shall issue to the vehicle owner, without further charge, an emblem-use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the vehicle owner to the department of revenue at the time of registration of a motor vehicle. Upon presentation of the annual statement and payment of the fee required for personalized license plates in section 301.144, and other fees and documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue shall issue a personalized license plate, which shall bear the emblem of the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives' Lineman, to the vehicle owner.

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3. The license plate authorized by this section shall be of a design submitted by the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives and approved by the department, shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. The bidding process used to select a vendor for the material to manufacture the license plates authorized by this section shall consider the aesthetic appearance of the plate.

4. A vehicle owner, who was previously issued a plate with the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives' Lineman emblem authorized by this section but who does not provide an emblem-use authorization statement at a subsequent time of registration, shall be issued a new plate which does not bear the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives' Lineman emblem, as otherwise provided by law. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and regulations for the enforcement of this section, and shall design all necessary forms required by this section.

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