

HOUSE BILL No. 2248

AN ACT concerning consumer protection; relating to the scrap metal theft reduction act; delay of implementation; creating the scrap metal data repository fund; scrap metal transaction requirements; dealer registration; Kansas consumer protection act; definitions of consumer transaction and supplier; amending K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-624, 50-6,109a, 50-6,109a, as amended by section 1 of this act, 50-6,109c, 50-6,109c, as amended by section 3 of this act, 50-6,110, 50-6,110, as amended by section 5 of this act, 50-6,111, 50-6,111, as amended by section 7 of this act, 50-6,112a, 50-6,112a, as amended by section 9 of this act, 50-6,112b and 50-6,112b, as amended by section 11 of this act, and repealing the existing sections.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109a is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,109a. (a) The attorney general is hereby given jurisdiction and authority over all matters involving the implementation, administration and enforcement of the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act including to:

- (1) Employ or appoint agents as necessary to implement, administer and enforce the act;
- (2) contract;
- (3) expend funds;
- (4) license and discipline;
- (5) investigate;
- (6) issue subpoenas;
- (7) keep statistics; and
- (8) conduct education and outreach programs to promote compliance with the act.

(b) In accordance with the rules and regulations filing act, the attorney general is hereby authorized to adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act.

(c) There is hereby established in the state treasury the scrap metal theft reduction fee fund to be administered by the attorney general. All moneys received by the attorney general from fees, charges or penalties collected under the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto, who shall deposit the entire amount thereof in the state treasury to the credit of the scrap metal theft reduction fee fund. All expenditures from such fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the attorney general or the attorney general's designee. All moneys credited to the scrap metal theft reduction fee fund shall be expended for the administration of the duties, functions and operating expenses incurred under the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act.

(d) ~~(1) Before January~~ On July 1, 2020, the attorney general shall establish and maintain a database which shall be a central repository for the information required to be provided under K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto. The database shall be maintained for the purpose of providing information to law enforcement and for any other purpose deemed necessary by the attorney general to implement and enforce the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act.

~~(2) On or before February 1, 2019, the attorney general shall submit a report to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and the standing committees on judiciary in the senate and the house of representatives on the progress achieved in establishing the database required by this subsection.~~

(e) The information required by K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto, maintained in such database by the attorney general, or by any entity contracting with the attorney general, submitted to, maintained or stored as part of the system shall:

- (1) Be confidential, shall only be used for investigatory, evidentiary or analysis purposes related to criminal violations of city, state or federal law and shall only be released to law enforcement in response to an official investigation or as permitted in subsection (d); and
- (2) not be a public record and shall not be subject to the Kansas

open records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, 2020, unless the legislature reviews and reenacts this provision pursuant to K.S.A. 45-229, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. On and after July 1, 2020, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109a, as amended by section 1 of this act, is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,109a. (a) The attorney general is hereby given jurisdiction and authority over all matters involving the implementation, administration and enforcement of the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act including to:

- (1) Employ or appoint agents as necessary to implement, administer and enforce the act;
- (2) contract;
- (3) expend funds;
- (4) license and discipline;
- (5) investigate;
- (6) issue subpoenas;
- (7) keep statistics; and
- (8) conduct education and outreach programs to promote compliance with the act.

(b) In accordance with the rules and regulations filing act, the attorney general is hereby authorized to adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act.

(c) There is hereby established in the state treasury the scrap metal theft reduction fee fund to be administered by the attorney general. All moneys received by the attorney general from fees, charges or penalties collected under the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto, who shall deposit the entire amount thereof in the state treasury to the credit of the scrap metal theft reduction fee fund. All expenditures from such fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the attorney general or the attorney general's designee. All moneys credited to the scrap metal theft reduction fee fund shall be expended for the administration of the duties, functions and operating expenses incurred under the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act.

(d) *There is hereby established in the state treasury the scrap metal data repository fund to be administered by the director of the Kansas bureau of investigation. All expenditures from such fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the director of the Kansas bureau of investigation or the director's designee. All moneys credited to the scrap metal data repository fund shall be expended for the administration of the duties, functions and operating expenses incurred under the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act.*

(e) *The attorney general may transfer any moneys from the scrap metal theft reduction fee fund to the scrap metal data repository fund. The attorney general shall certify each such transfer to the director of accounts and reports and shall transmit a copy of each such certification to the director of the budget and the director of legislative research.*

(f) On July 1, 2020, the ~~attorney general~~ *Kansas bureau of investigation* shall establish and maintain a database which shall be a central repository for the information required to be provided under K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto. The database shall be maintained for the purpose of providing information to law enforcement and for any other purpose deemed necessary by the attorney general to implement and enforce the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act.

~~(e)(g) The information required by K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto, maintained in such database by the attorney~~

~~general~~ *Kansas bureau of investigation*, or by any entity contracting with the ~~attorney general~~ *Kansas bureau of investigation*, submitted to, maintained or stored as part of the system *may be provided to the attorney general and shall*:

(1) Be confidential, shall only be used for investigatory, evidentiary or analysis purposes related to criminal violations of city, state or federal law and shall only be released to law enforcement in response to an official investigation or as permitted in subsection ~~(d)~~ *(f)*; and

(2) not be a public record and shall not be subject to the Kansas open records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto. The provisions of this subsection shall expire on July 1, ~~2020~~ 2024, unless the legislature reviews and reenacts this provision pursuant to K.S.A. 45-229, and amendments thereto.

*(h) On or before February 1, 2021, and annually on or before February 1 thereafter, the attorney general shall submit a report to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and the standing committees on judiciary in the senate and the house of representatives on the implementation, administration and enforcement of the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act.*

*(i) Any entity contracting with the attorney general or the Kansas bureau of investigation to provide or maintain the database required by this section shall not require a scrap metal dealer to contract with such entity for the authority to release proprietary or confidential data, including, but not limited to, customer information. Such entity shall not charge any fee to the scrap metal dealer as a condition of providing information to the database as required by the scrap metal theft reduction act, including, but not limited to, a fee for electronic submission of information.*

*(j) A scrap metal dealer providing information to the database as required by the scrap metal theft reduction act shall not be subject to civil liability for any claim arising from the negligence or omission by the state of Kansas or any contracting entity in the collection, storing or release of information provided by such scrap metal dealer to the database.*

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109c is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,109c. (a) Any scrap metal dealer who violates any of the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, may incur a civil penalty imposed pursuant to subsection (b) in an amount not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation.

(b) The attorney general, upon a finding that a scrap metal dealer or any employee or agent thereof or any person or entity required to be registered as a scrap metal dealer has violated any of the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act may impose a civil penalty as provided in this subsection upon such scrap metal dealer.

(c) A civil penalty shall not be imposed pursuant to this section except upon the written order of the attorney general to the scrap metal dealer who is responsible for the violation. Such order is a final order for purposes of judicial review and shall state the violation, the penalty to be imposed and the right of such dealer to appeal as provided in the Kansas judicial review act.

(d) This section shall be unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to ~~January~~ July 1, 2020.

Sec. 4. On and after July 1, 2020, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109c, as amended by section 3 of this act, is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,109c. (a) Any scrap metal dealer who violates any of the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, may incur a civil penalty imposed pursuant to subsection (b) in an amount not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation.

(b) The attorney general, upon a finding that a scrap metal dealer or any employee or agent thereof or any person or entity required to be registered as a scrap metal dealer has violated any of the provisions of

the scrap metal theft reduction act may impose a civil penalty as provided in this subsection upon such scrap metal dealer.

(c) A civil penalty shall not be imposed pursuant to this section except upon the written order of the attorney general to the scrap metal dealer who is responsible for the violation. Such order is a final order for purposes of judicial review and shall state the violation, the penalty to be imposed and the right of such dealer to appeal as provided in the Kansas judicial review act.

~~(d) This section shall be unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to July 1, 2020.~~

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110 is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,110. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell any item or items of regulated scrap metal to a scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of a dealer, in this state unless such person meets the requirements of this subsection.

(1) Such person shall present to such scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of such dealer, at or before the time of sale, the following: The seller's name, address, sex, date of birth and the seller's driver's license, military identification card, passport or personal identification license. An official governmental document for a country other than the United States may be used to meet this requirement provided that a legible fingerprint is also obtained from the seller.

(2) Such person shall complete and sign the statement provided for in subsection (b)(10).

(b) Every scrap metal dealer shall keep a register in which the dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, shall at the time of purchase or receipt of any item for which such information is required to be presented, cross-reference to previously received information, or accurately and legibly record at the time of sale the following information:

- (1) The time, date and place of transaction;
- (2) the seller's name, address, sex, date of birth and the identifying number from the seller's driver's license, military identification card, passport or personal identification license; the identifying number from an official governmental document for a country other than the United States may be used to meet this requirement provided that a legible fingerprint is also obtained from the seller;
- (3) a copy of the identification card or document containing such identifying number. Failure to comply with the provisions of this paragraph between June 1, 2017, and ~~January~~ July 1, 2020, may result in an assessment of a civil penalty by the attorney general of not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation;
- (4) the license number, color and style or make of any motor vehicle in which the junk vehicle or other regulated scrap metal property is delivered in a purchase transaction;
- (5) a general description, made in accordance with the custom of the trade, of the predominant types of junk vehicle or other regulated scrap metal property purchased in the transaction;
- (6) the weight, quantity or volume, made in accordance with the custom of the trade, of the regulated scrap metal property purchased;
- (7) if a junk vehicle or vehicle part is being bought or sold, a description of the junk vehicle or vehicle part, including the make, model, color, vehicle identification number and serial number if applicable;
- (8) the price paid for, traded for or dealt for in a transaction for the junk vehicle or other regulated scrap metal property;
- (9) the full name of the individual acting on behalf of the regulated scrap metal dealer in making the purchase; and
- (10) a signed statement from the seller indicating from where the property was obtained and that: (A) Each item is the seller's own personal property, is free of encumbrances and is not stolen; or (B) the seller is acting for the owner and has permission to sell each item. If the seller is not the owner, such statement shall include the name and address of the owner of the property.

(c) Every scrap metal dealer shall photograph the item or lot of items being sold at the time of purchase or receipt of any item for which such information is required to be presented. Such photographs shall be kept with the record of the transaction and the scrap metal dealer's register of information required by subsection (b). Failure to comply with the provisions of this subsection between June 1, 2017, and ~~January~~ July 1, 2020, may result in an assessment of a civil penalty by the attorney general of not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation.

(d) The scrap metal dealer's register of information required by subsection (b), including copies of identification cards and signed statements by sellers, and photographs required by subsection (c) may be kept in electronic format.

(e) Every scrap metal dealer shall forward the information required by this section to the database described in K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109a, and amendments thereto.

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, this section shall not apply to transactions in which the seller is a:

- (1) Registered scrap metal dealer;
- (2) vehicle dealer licensed under chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto; or
- (3) scrap metal dealer or vehicle dealer registered or licensed in another state.

(g) (1) Except as provided in subsection (g)(2), this section shall not apply to transactions in which the seller is known to the purchasing scrap metal dealer to be a licensed business that operates out of a fixed business location and that can reasonably be expected to generate regulated scrap metal.

(2) The attorney general may determine, by rules and regulations, which of the requirements of this section shall apply to transactions described in subsection (g)(1).

(h) The amendments made to subsection (e) by section 13 of chapter 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to ~~January~~ July 1, 2020.

Sec. 6. On and after July 1, 2020, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, as amended by section 5 of this act, is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,110. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell any item or items of regulated scrap metal to a scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of a dealer, in this state unless such person meets the requirements of this subsection.

(1) Such person shall present to such scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of such dealer, at or before the time of sale, the following: The seller's name, address, sex, date of birth and the seller's driver's license, military identification card, passport or personal identification license. An official governmental document for a country other than the United States may be used to meet this requirement ~~provided that a legible fingerprint is also obtained from the seller.~~

(2) Such person shall complete and sign the statement provided for in subsection (b)(10).

(b) Every scrap metal dealer shall keep a register in which the dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, shall at the time of purchase or receipt of any item for which such information is required to be presented, cross-reference to previously received information, or accurately and legibly record at the time of sale the following information:

- (1) The time, date and place of transaction;
- (2) the seller's name, address, sex, date of birth and:
  - (A) The identifying number from the seller's driver's license, military identification card, passport or personal identification license; ~~the identifying number from an official governmental document for a country other than the United States may be used to meet this requirement provided that a legible fingerprint is also obtained from the seller;~~ or
  - (B) *the identifying number from the seller's official governmental*

*document for a country other than the United States;*

(3) a copy of the identification card or document containing such identifying number. ~~Failure to comply with the provisions of this paragraph between June 1, 2017, and July 1, 2020, may result in an assessment of a civil penalty by the attorney general of not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation, unless the dealer has a copy of the card or document in the dealer's register from a prior transaction;~~

(4) the license number, color and style or make of any motor vehicle in which the junk vehicle or other regulated scrap metal property is delivered in a purchase transaction;

(5) a general description, made in accordance with the custom of the trade, of the predominant types of junk vehicle or other regulated scrap metal property purchased in the transaction;

(6) the weight, quantity or volume, made in accordance with the custom of the trade, of the regulated scrap metal property purchased;

(7) if a junk vehicle or vehicle part is being bought or sold, a description of the junk vehicle or vehicle part, including the make, model, color, vehicle identification number and serial number if applicable;

(8) the price paid for, traded for or dealt for in a transaction for the junk vehicle or other regulated scrap metal property;

(9) the full name of the individual acting on behalf of the regulated scrap metal dealer in making the purchase; and

(10) a signed statement from the seller indicating from where the property was obtained and that: (A) Each item is the seller's own personal property, is free of encumbrances and is not stolen; or (B) the seller is acting for the owner and has permission to sell each item. If the seller is not the owner, such statement shall include the name and address of the owner of the property.

(c) Every scrap metal dealer shall *take one* photograph of the item or lot of items being sold *and one photograph of the vehicle in which the junk vehicle or other regulated scrap metal property is delivered* at the time of purchase or receipt of any item for which such information is required to be presented. Such photographs shall be kept with the record of the transaction and the scrap metal dealer's register of information required by subsection (b). ~~Failure to comply with the provisions of this subsection between June 1, 2017, and July 1, 2020, may result in an assessment of a civil penalty by the attorney general of not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation.~~

(d) The scrap metal dealer's register of information required by subsection (b), including copies of identification cards and signed statements by sellers, and photographs required by subsection (c) may be kept in electronic format.

(e) Every scrap metal dealer shall forward ~~the~~ information required by ~~this section~~ *the Kansas bureau of investigation for each transaction* to the database described in K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109a, and amendments thereto, *in the manner prescribed by the bureau within 72 hours after the transaction occurs. The Kansas bureau of investigation shall promulgate rules and regulations providing which information and photographs required to be collected by scrap metal dealers by subsections (b) and (c) shall be entered into the database and prescribing the manner for submitting such information and photographs to the bureau.*

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, this section shall not apply to transactions in which the seller is a:

(1) Registered scrap metal dealer;

(2) vehicle dealer licensed under chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto; or

(3) scrap metal dealer or vehicle dealer registered or licensed in another state.

(g) (1) Except as provided in subsection (g)(2), this section shall not apply to transactions in which the seller is known to the purchasing scrap metal dealer to be a licensed business that operates out of a fixed

business location and that can reasonably be expected to generate regulated scrap metal.

(2) The attorney general may determine, by rules and regulations, which of the requirements of this section shall apply to transactions described in subsection (g)(1).

~~(h) The amendments made to subsection (e) by section 13 of chapter 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to July 1, 2020.~~

Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,111 is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,111. (a) It shall be unlawful for any such scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to purchase any item or items of regulated scrap metal in a transaction for which K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto, requires information to be presented by the seller, without demanding and receiving from the seller that information. Every scrap metal dealer shall file and maintain a record of information obtained in compliance with the requirements in K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto. All records kept in accordance with the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act shall be open at all times to law enforcement officers and shall be kept for two years. If the required information is maintained in electronic format, the scrap metal dealer shall provide a printout of the information to law enforcement officers upon request.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to purchase any junk vehicle in a transaction for which K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto, requires information to be presented by the seller, without:

(1) Inspecting the vehicle offered for sale and recording the vehicle identification number; and

(2) obtaining an appropriate bill of sale issued by a governmentally operated vehicle impound facility if the vehicle purchased has been impounded by such facility or agency.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to purchase or receive any regulated scrap metal from a minor unless such minor is accompanied by a parent or guardian or such minor is a licensed scrap metal dealer.

(d) It shall be unlawful for any scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to purchase any of the following items without obtaining proof that the seller is an employee, agent or person who is authorized to sell the item on behalf of the governmental entity; utility provider; railroad; cemetery; civic organization; manufacturing, industrial or other commercial vendor that generates or sells such items in the regular course of business; or scrap metal dealer:

- (1) Utility access cover;
- (2) street light poles or fixtures;
- (3) road or bridge guard rails;
- (4) highway or street sign;
- (5) water meter cover;
- (6) traffic directional or traffic control signs;
- (7) traffic light signals;
- (8) any metal marked with any form of the name or initials of a governmental entity;
- (9) property owned and marked by a telephone, cable, electric, water or other utility provider;
- (10) property owned and marked by a railroad;
- (11) funeral markers or vases;
- (12) historical markers;
- (13) bales of regulated metal;
- (14) beer kegs;
- (15) manhole covers;
- (16) fire hydrants or fire hydrant caps;
- (17) junk vehicles with missing or altered vehicle identification numbers;
- (18) real estate signs;
- (19) bleachers or risers, in whole or in part;

(20) twisted pair copper telecommunications wiring of 25 pair or greater existing in 19, 22, 24 or 26 gauge; and

(21) burnt wire.

(e) It shall be unlawful for any scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to sell, trade, melt or crush, or in any way dispose of, alter or destroy any regulated scrap metal, junk vehicle or vehicle part upon notice from any law enforcement agency, or any of their agents or employees, that they have cause to believe an item has been stolen. A scrap metal dealer shall hold any of the items that are designated by or on behalf of the law enforcement agency for 30 days, exclusive of weekends and holidays.

(f) Failure to comply with the provisions of this section between June 1, 2017, and ~~January~~ July 1, 2020, may result in an assessment of a civil penalty by the attorney general of not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation.

Sec. 8. On and after July 1, 2020, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,111, as amended by section 7 of this act, is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,111. (a) It shall be unlawful for any such scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to purchase any item or items of regulated scrap metal in a transaction for which K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto, requires information to be presented by the seller, without demanding and receiving from the seller that information. Every scrap metal dealer shall file and maintain a record of information obtained in compliance with the requirements in K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto. All records kept in accordance with the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act shall be open at all times to law enforcement officers and shall be kept for two years. If the required information is maintained in electronic format, the scrap metal dealer shall provide a printout of the information to law enforcement officers upon request.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to purchase any junk vehicle in a transaction for which K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto, requires information to be presented by the seller, without:

(1) Inspecting the vehicle offered for sale and recording the vehicle identification number; and

(2) obtaining an appropriate bill of sale issued by a governmentally operated vehicle impound facility if the vehicle purchased has been impounded by such facility or agency.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to purchase or receive any regulated scrap metal from a minor unless such minor is accompanied by a parent or guardian or such minor is a licensed scrap metal dealer.

(d) It shall be unlawful for any scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to purchase any of the following items without obtaining proof that the seller is an employee, agent or person who is authorized to sell the item on behalf of the governmental entity; utility provider; railroad; cemetery; civic organization; manufacturing, industrial or other commercial vendor that generates or sells such items in the regular course of business; or scrap metal dealer:

(1) Utility access cover;

(2) street light poles or fixtures;

(3) road or bridge guard rails;

(4) highway or street sign;

(5) water meter cover;

(6) traffic directional or traffic control signs;

(7) traffic light signals;

(8) any metal marked with any form of the name or initials of a governmental entity;

(9) property owned and marked by a telephone, cable, electric, water or other utility provider;

(10) property owned and marked by a railroad;

(11) funeral markers or vases;

(12) historical markers;

- (13) bales of regulated metal;
- (14) beer kegs;
- (15) manhole covers;
- (16) fire hydrants or fire hydrant caps;
- (17) junk vehicles with missing or altered vehicle identification numbers;
- (18) real estate signs;
- (19) bleachers or risers, in whole or in part;
- (20) twisted pair copper telecommunications wiring of 25 pair or greater existing in 19, 22, 24 or 26 gauge; and
- (21) burnt wire.

(e) It shall be unlawful for any scrap metal dealer, or employee or agent of the dealer, to sell, trade, melt or crush, or in any way dispose of, alter or destroy any regulated scrap metal, junk vehicle or vehicle part upon notice from any law enforcement agency, or any of their agents or employees, that they have cause to believe an item has been stolen. A scrap metal dealer shall hold any of the items that are designated by or on behalf of the law enforcement agency for 30 days, exclusive of weekends and holidays.

~~(f) Failure to comply with the provisions of this section between June 1, 2017, and July 1, 2020, may result in an assessment of a civil penalty by the attorney general of not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation.~~

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,112a is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,112a. (a) A scrap metal dealer shall not purchase any regulated scrap metal without having first registered each place of business with the attorney general as herein provided.

(b) The attorney general shall establish a system for the public to confirm scrap metal dealer registration certificates. Such system shall include a listing of valid registration certificates and such other information collected pursuant to the scrap metal theft reduction act, as the attorney general may determine is appropriate. Disclosure of any information through use of the system established by the attorney general shall not be deemed to be an endorsement of any scrap metal dealer or determination of any facts, qualifications, information or reputation of any scrap metal dealer by the attorney general, the state, or any of their respective agents, officers, employees or assigns.

(c) A registration for a scrap metal dealer shall be verified and upon a form approved by the attorney general and contain:

(1) (A) The name and residence of the applicant, including all previous names and aliases; or

(B) if the applicant is a: Corporation, the name and address of each manager, officer or director thereof, and each stockholder owning in the aggregate more than 25% of the stock of such corporation; or partnership or limited liability company, the name and address of each partner or member;

(2) the length of time that the applicant has resided within the state of Kansas and a list of all residences outside the state of Kansas during the previous 10 years;

(3) the particular place of business for which a registration is desired, the name of the business, the address where the business is to be conducted, the hours of operation and the days of the week during which the applicant proposes to engage in business;

(4) the name of the owner of the premises upon which the place of business is located; and

(5) the applicant shall disclose any prior convictions within 10 years immediately preceding the date of making the registration for: A violation of article 37 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, prior to their repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5801 through 21-5839 or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-6412(a)(6), and amendments thereto; perjury, K.S.A. 21-3805, prior to its repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5903, and amendments thereto; compounding a crime, K.S.A. 21-3807, prior to its repeal; obstructing legal process or official duty, K.S.A. 21-3808, prior to its repeal; falsely reporting a crime, K.S.A. 21-3818, prior to its

repeal; interference with law enforcement, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5904, and amendments thereto; interference with judicial process, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5905, and amendments thereto; or any crime involving dishonesty or false statement or any substantially similar offense pursuant to the laws of any city, state or of the United States.

(d) Each registration for a scrap metal dealer to purchase regulated scrap metal shall be accompanied by a fee of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,500, as prescribed by the attorney general for each particular place of business for which a registration is desired.

(e) The attorney general shall accept a registration for a scrap metal dealer as otherwise provided for herein, from any scrap metal dealer qualified to file such registration, to purchase regulated scrap metals. Such registration shall be issued for a period of one year.

(f) If an original registration is accepted, the attorney general shall grant and issue renewals thereof upon application of the registration holder, if the registration holder is qualified to receive the same and the registration has not been revoked as provided by law. The renewal fee shall be not more than \$1,500, as prescribed by the attorney general.

(g) Any registration issued under the scrap metal theft reduction act shall not be transferable.

(h) This section shall not apply to a business licensed under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-2404, and amendments thereto, unless such business buys or recycles regulated scrap metal that are not motor vehicle components.

(i) The amendments made to subsections (d) and (f) by section 15 of chapter 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to ~~January~~ July 1, 2020.

Sec. 10. On and after July 1, 2020, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,112a, as amended by section 9 of this act, is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,112a. (a) A scrap metal dealer shall not purchase any regulated scrap metal without having first registered each place of business with the attorney general as herein provided.

(b) The attorney general shall establish a system for the public to confirm scrap metal dealer registration certificates. Such system shall include a listing of valid registration certificates and such other information collected pursuant to the scrap metal theft reduction act, as the attorney general may determine is appropriate. Disclosure of any information through use of the system established by the attorney general shall not be deemed to be an endorsement of any scrap metal dealer or determination of any facts, qualifications, information or reputation of any scrap metal dealer by the attorney general, the state, or any of their respective agents, officers, employees or assigns.

(c) A registration for a scrap metal dealer shall be verified and upon a form approved by the attorney general and contain:

(1) (A) The name and residence of the applicant, including all previous names and aliases; or

(B) if the applicant is a: Corporation, the name and address of each manager, officer or director thereof, and each stockholder owning in the aggregate more than 25% of the stock of such corporation; or partnership or limited liability company, the name and address of each partner or member;

(2) the length of time that the applicant has resided within the state of Kansas and a list of all residences outside the state of Kansas during the previous 10 years;

(3) the particular place of business for which a registration is desired, the name of the business, the address where the business is to be conducted, the hours of operation and the days of the week during which the applicant proposes to engage in business;

(4) the name of the owner of the premises upon which the place of business is located; and

(5) the applicant shall disclose any prior convictions within 10 years immediately preceding the date of making the registration for: A violation of article 37 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated,

prior to their repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5801 through 21-5839 or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-6412(a)(6), and amendments thereto; perjury, K.S.A. 21-3805, prior to its repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5903, and amendments thereto; compounding a crime, K.S.A. 21-3807, prior to its repeal; obstructing legal process or official duty, K.S.A. 21-3808, prior to its repeal; falsely reporting a crime, K.S.A. 21-3818, prior to its repeal; interference with law enforcement, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5904, and amendments thereto; interference with judicial process, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5905, and amendments thereto; or any crime involving dishonesty or false statement or any substantially similar offense pursuant to the laws of any city, state or of the United States.

(d) *On and after July 1, 2020*, each registration for a scrap metal dealer to purchase regulated scrap metal shall be accompanied by a fee of not less *more* than \$500 ~~nor more than \$1,500~~, as prescribed by the attorney general, for each particular place of business for which a registration is desired.

(e) The attorney general shall accept a registration for a scrap metal dealer as otherwise provided for herein, from any scrap metal dealer qualified to file such registration, to purchase regulated scrap metals. Such registration shall be issued for a period of one year.

(f) *On and after July 1, 2020*, if an original registration is accepted, the attorney general shall grant and issue renewals thereof upon application of the registration holder, if the registration holder is qualified to receive the same and the registration has not been revoked as provided by law. The renewal fee shall be not more than ~~\$1,500~~ \$500, as prescribed by the attorney general.

(g) Any registration issued under the scrap metal theft reduction act shall not be transferable.

(h) This section shall not apply to a business licensed under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-2404, and amendments thereto, unless such business buys or recycles regulated scrap metal that are not motor vehicle components.

~~(i) The amendments made to subsections (d) and (f) by section 15 of chapter 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to July 1, 2020.~~

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,112b is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,112b. (a) After examining the information contained in a filing for a scrap metal dealer registration and determining the registration meets the statutory requirements for such registration, the attorney general shall accept such filing and the scrap metal dealer shall be deemed to be properly registered.

(b) No scrap metal registration shall be accepted for:

(1) A person who is not a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States.

(2) A person who is under 18 years of age and whose parents or legal guardians have been convicted of a felony or other crime which would disqualify a person from registration under this section and such crime was committed during the time that such parents or legal guardians held a registration under the scrap metal theft reduction act.

(3) A person who, within 10 years immediately preceding the date of filing, has pled guilty to, entered into a diversion agreement for, been convicted of, released from incarceration for or released from probation or parole for committing, attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit a violation of: Article 37 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, prior to their repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5801 through 21-5839 or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-6412(a)(6), and amendments thereto; perjury, K.S.A. 21-3805, prior to its repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5903, and amendments thereto; compounding a crime, K.S.A. 21-3807, prior to its repeal; obstructing legal process or official duty, K.S.A. 21-3808, prior to its repeal; falsely reporting a crime, K.S.A. 21-3818, prior to its repeal; interference with law enforcement, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5904, and amendments thereto; interference with judicial process, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5905, and amendments thereto; or any crime involving dishonesty or false statement or any substantially

similar offense pursuant to the laws of any city, state or of the United States.

(4) A person who within the 10 years immediately preceding the date of registration held a scrap metal dealer registration which was revoked, or managed a facility for a scrap metal dealer whose registration was revoked, or was an employee whose conduct led to or contributed to the revocation of such registration.

(5) A person who makes a materially false statement on the registration application or has made a materially false statement on a registration or similar filing within the last 10 years.

(6) A partnership or limited liability company, unless all partners or members of the partnership or limited liability company are otherwise qualified to file a registration.

(7) A corporation, if any manager, officer or director thereof, or any stockholder owning in the aggregate more than 25% of the stock of such corporation, would be ineligible to receive a license hereunder for any reason.

(8) A person whose place of business is conducted by a manager or agent unless the manager or agent possesses all of the qualifications for registration.

(9) A person whose spouse has been convicted of a felony or other crime which would disqualify a person from registration under this section and such crime was committed during the time that the spouse held a registration under the scrap metal theft reduction act.

(10) A person who does not own the premises upon which the place of business is located for which a license is sought, unless the person has a written lease for at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the period for which the license is to be issued.

(c) Any person filing a scrap metal dealer registration may be subject to a criminal history records check and may be given a written notice that a criminal history records check is required. The attorney general may require such applicant to be fingerprinted and submit to a state and national criminal history record check. If required, such fingerprints shall be used to identify the applicant and to determine whether the applicant has a record of criminal history in this state or another jurisdiction. The attorney general shall submit any fingerprints provided to the Kansas bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation for a state and national criminal history record check. Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall assist the attorney general in the taking and processing of fingerprints of applicants. The attorney general may use the information obtained from fingerprinting and the criminal history for purposes of verifying the identification of the applicant and in the official determination of whether the scrap metal dealer registration shall be accepted. If the criminal history record information is used to disqualify an applicant, the applicant shall be informed in writing of that decision.

(d) The amendments made to subsections (b)(10) and (c) by section 16 of chapter 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to ~~January~~ July 1, 2020.

Sec. 12. On and after July 1, 2020, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,112b, as amended by section 11 of this act, is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-6,112b. (a) After examining the information contained in a filing for a scrap metal dealer registration and determining the registration meets the statutory requirements for such registration, the attorney general shall accept such filing and the scrap metal dealer shall be deemed to be properly registered.

(b) No scrap metal registration shall be accepted for:

(1) A person who is not a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States.

(2) A person who is under 18 years of age and whose parents or legal guardians have been convicted of a felony or other crime ~~which~~ *that* would disqualify a person from registration under this section and such crime was committed during the time that such parents or legal

guardians held a registration under the scrap metal theft reduction act.

(3) A person who, within 10 years immediately preceding the date of filing, has pled guilty to, entered into a diversion agreement for, been convicted of, released from incarceration for or released from probation or parole for committing, attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit a violation of: Article 37 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, prior to their repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5801 through 21-5839 or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-6412(a)(6), and amendments thereto; perjury, K.S.A. 21-3805, prior to its repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5903, and amendments thereto; compounding a crime, K.S.A. 21-3807, prior to its repeal; obstructing legal process or official duty, K.S.A. 21-3808, prior to its repeal; falsely reporting a crime, K.S.A. 21-3818, prior to its repeal; interference with law enforcement, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5904, and amendments thereto; interference with judicial process, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5905, and amendments thereto; or any crime involving dishonesty or false statement or any substantially similar offense pursuant to the laws of any city, state or of the United States.

(4) A person who within the 10 years immediately preceding the date of registration held a scrap metal dealer registration ~~which~~ *that* was revoked, or managed a facility for a scrap metal dealer whose registration was revoked, or was an employee whose conduct led to or contributed to the revocation of such registration.

(5) A person who makes a materially false statement on the registration application or has made a materially false statement on a registration or similar filing within the last 10 years.

(6) A partnership or limited liability company, unless all partners or members of the partnership or limited liability company are otherwise qualified to file a registration.

(7) A corporation, if any manager, officer or director thereof, or any stockholder owning in the aggregate more than 25% of the stock of such corporation, would be ineligible to receive a license hereunder for any reason.

(8) A person whose place of business is conducted by a manager or agent unless the manager or agent possesses all of the qualifications for registration.

(9) A person whose spouse has been convicted of a felony or other crime ~~which~~ *that* would disqualify a person from registration under this section and such crime was committed during the time that the spouse held a registration under the scrap metal theft reduction act.

(10) A person who does not own the premises upon which the place of business is located for which a license is sought, unless the person has a written lease for at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the period for which the license is to be issued.

~~(e) Any person filing a scrap metal dealer registration may be subject to a criminal history records check and may be given a written notice that a criminal history records check is required. The attorney general may require such applicant to be fingerprinted and submit to a state and national criminal history record check. If required, such fingerprints shall be used to identify the applicant and to determine whether the applicant has a record of criminal history in this state or another jurisdiction. The attorney general shall submit any fingerprints provided to the Kansas bureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation for a state and national criminal history record check. Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall assist the attorney general in the taking and processing of fingerprints of applicants. The attorney general may use the information obtained from fingerprinting and the criminal history for purposes of verifying the identification of the applicant and in the official determination of whether the scrap metal dealer registration shall be accepted. If the criminal history record information is used to disqualify an applicant, the applicant shall be informed in writing of that decision.~~

~~(d) The amendments made to subsections (b)(10) and (e) by section 16 of chapter 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be~~

~~unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to July 1, 2020.~~

New Sec. 13. (a) The provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act shall expire on July 1, 2023.

(b) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the scrap metal theft reduction act.

Sec. 14. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-624 is hereby amended to read as follows: 50-624. As used in this act:

(a) "Agricultural purpose" means a purpose related to the production, harvest, exhibition, marketing, transportation, processing or manufacture of agricultural products by a consumer who cultivates, plants, propagates or nurtures the agricultural products. "Agricultural products" includes agricultural, horticultural, viticultural, and dairy products, livestock, wildlife, poultry, bees, forest products, fish and shellfish, and any products thereof, including processed and manufactured products, and any and all products raised or produced on farms and any processed or manufactured products thereof.

(b) "Consumer" means an individual, husband and wife, sole proprietor, or family partnership who seeks or acquires property or services for personal, family, household, business or agricultural purposes.

(c) "Consumer transaction" means a sale, lease, assignment or other disposition for value of property or services within this state—(, except insurance contracts regulated under state law), to a consumer; or a solicitation by a supplier with respect to any of these dispositions. *"Consumer transaction" does not include the disposition of repossessed collateral by any supplier that is subject to and compliant with any state or federal law or rules and regulations with regard to disposition of such repossessed collateral.*

(d) "Family partnership" means a partnership in which all of the partners are natural persons related to each other, all of whom have a common ancestor within the third degree of relationship, by blood or by adoption, or the spouses or the stepchildren of any such persons, or persons acting in a fiduciary capacity for persons so related.

(e) "Final judgment" means a judgment, including any supporting opinion, that determines the rights of the parties and concerning which appellate remedies have been exhausted or the time for appeal has expired.

(f) "Lender" means a bank, savings and loan association, savings bank, credit union, finance company, mortgage bank, mortgage broker and any affiliate.

(g) "Merchantable" means, in addition to the qualities prescribed in K.S.A. 84-2-314, and amendments thereto, in conformity in all material respects with applicable state and federal statutes and regulations establishing standards of quality and safety.

(h) "Mortgage trigger lead" means a consumer report obtained pursuant to section 604(c)(1)(B) of the federal fair credit reporting act, 15 U.S.C. § 1681b, where the issuance of the report is triggered by an inquiry made with a consumer reporting agency in response to an application for credit. Any consumer report on an applicant obtained by a lender with whom the applicant has initially applied for credit or who holds or services an existing extension of credit of the applicant who is the subject of the report is not considered a mortgage trigger lead.

(i) "Person" means any individual, corporation, government, governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, association, cooperative or other legal entity.

(j) "Property" includes real estate, goods and intangible personal property.

(k) "Services" includes:

(1) Work, labor and other personal services;

(2) privileges with respect to transportation, hotel and restaurant accommodations, education, entertainment, recreation, physical culture, hospital accommodations, funerals and cemetery accommodations; and

(3) any other act performed for a consumer by a supplier.

(l) "Supplier" means a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, seller,

lessor, assignor, or other person who, in the ordinary course of business, solicits, engages in or enforces consumer transactions, whether or not dealing directly with the consumer. ~~Supplier does not include any bank, trust company or lending institution which is subject to state or federal regulation with regard to disposition of repossessed collateral by such bank, trust company or lending institution.~~

Sec. 15. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-624, 50-6,109a, 50-6,109c, 50-6,110, 50-6,111, 50-6,112a and 50-6,112b are hereby repealed.

Sec. 16. On and after July 1, 2020, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109a, as amended by section 1 of this act, 50-6,109c, as amended by section 3 of this act, 50-6,110, as amended by section 5 of this act, 50-6,111, as amended by section 7 of this act, 50-6,112a, as amended by section 9 of this act, and 50-6,112b, as amended by section 11 of this act, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 17. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

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