Session of 2015

## HOUSE BILL No. 2006

## By Representative Goico

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AN ACT concerning veterans; relating to license plates for disabled
veterans; pertaining to parking in certain public parking garages spaces; amending K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 8-161 and repealing the existing
section.

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

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 8-161 is hereby amended to read as 8 follows: 8-161. (a) Any disabled veteran as defined in K.S.A. 8-160, and 9 amendments thereto, who resides in Kansas and who makes application to 10 the director of vehicles on a form furnished by the director for registration 11 of a motor vehicle that is a passenger vehicle, a truck with a gross weight 12 of not more than 20,000 pounds, or a motorcycle and is owned or leased 13 and used by such veteran may have such motor vehicle registered, and the director shall issue a distinctive license plate for it. Such license plate shall 14 be issued for the same period of time as other license plates are issued. 15 Such registration shall be made and such license plates issued free of 16 charge to the disabled veteran. The director of vehicles shall also issue to 17 18 the disabled veteran an individual identification card which must be 19 carried by the disabled veteran when the motor vehicle being operated by 20 the disabled veteran or used for the transportation of such disabled veteran 21 is parked in a designated accessible parking space.

22 (b) Any Kansas resident who owns or leases a motor vehicle and who 23 is responsible for the transportation of a disabled veteran or any resident 24 disabled veteran desiring a distinctive license plate for a vehicle other than 25 a motor vehicle owned or leased by the veteran may make application to 26 the director of vehicles for such a license plate. Such license plate shall be 27 issued for the same period of time as other license plates are issued. There 28 shall be no fee for such license plates in addition to the regular registration 29 fee.

30 (c) (1) The director of vehicles shall design a special license plate to 31 be issued as provided in this act. No registration or license plates issued 32 under this act shall be transferable to any other person. No registration 33 under this act shall be made until the applicant has filed with the director 34 acceptable proof that the applicant is a disabled veteran as defined by 35 K.S.A. 8-160, and amendments thereto, or is responsible for the 36 transportation of such veteran.

(2) Motor vehicles displaying the distinctive license plates provided 1 2 for in this act shall be permitted to:

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(A) Park in any parking space on public or private property which is clearly marked as being reserved for the use of persons with a disability or 4 persons responsible for the transportation of a person with a disability, 5 6 except a parking space on private property which is clearly marked as 7 being reserved for the use of a specified person with a disability, or;

8 (B) park without charge in any metered zone and shall be exempt 9 from any time limitation imposed on parking in any zone designated for parking, during the hours in which parking is permitted in any city; 10

(C) park without charge in any parking space in a public parking 11 12 facility or public parking lot if such parking space is clearly marked as being reserved for the use of persons with a disability or persons 13 responsible for the transportation of a person with a disability and such 14 15 public parking facility or public parking lot employs persons who are 16 parking attendants to collect payment. Any parking occurring under the 17 provisions of this subparagraph shall also comply with all regulations and restrictions posted at the entrance of the public parking facility or public 18 19 parking lot by its management.

20 (d) Any person who willfully and falsely represents that such person 21 has the qualifications to obtain the distinctive license plates provided for 22 by this section, or who falsely utilizes the parking privilege accorded by 23 this section, shall be guilty of an unclassified misdemeanor punishable by 24 a fine of not more than \$250.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 8-161 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 26 27 publication in the statute book.