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Substitute for SENATE BILL No. 219

By Committee on Judiciary

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1	AN ACT concerning consumer protection; relating to the scrap metal theft
2	reduction act; creating the scrap metal data repository fund; scrap metal
3	transaction requirements; dealer registration; amending K.S.A. 2018
4	Supp. 50-6,109a, 50-6,110, 50-6,112a and 50-6,112b and repealing the
5	existing sections.
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7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:
8	Section 1. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109a is hereby amended to read as
9	follows: 50-6,109a. (a) The attorney general is hereby given jurisdiction
10	and authority over all matters involving the implementation,
11	administration and enforcement of the provisions of the scrap metal theft
12	reduction act including to:
13	(1) Employ or appoint agents as necessary to implement, administer
14	and enforce the act;
15	(2) contract;
16	(3) expend funds;
17	(4) license and discipline;
18	(5) investigate;
19	(6) issue subpoenas;
20	(7) keep statistics; and
21	(8) conduct education and outreach programs to promote compliance
22	with the act.
23	(b) In accordance with the rules and regulations filing act, the
24	attorney general is hereby authorized to adopt rules and regulations
25	necessary to implement the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction
26	act.
27	(c) There is hereby established in the state treasury the scrap metal
28	theft reduction fee fund to be administered by the attorney general. All
29	moneys received by the attorney general from fees, charges or penalties
30	collected under the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction act shall
31	be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of
32	K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto, who shall deposit the entire
33	amount thereof in the state treasury to the credit of the scrap metal theft
34	reduction fee fund. All expenditures from such fund shall be made in
35	accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of
36	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.

5 (d) (1) There is hereby established in the state treasury the scrap 6 metal data repository fund to be administered by the director of the 7 Kansas bureau of investigation. All expenditures from such fund shall be 8 made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director 9 of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the director of the Kansas bureau of investigation or the director's designee. 10 All moneys credited to the scrap metal data repository fund shall be 11 12 expended for the administration of the duties, functions and operating expenses incurred under the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction 13 14 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) Before January 1, 2020, the attorney general Kansas bureau of 20 21 investigation shall establish and maintain a database which shall be a 22 central repository for the information required to be provided under K.S.A. 23 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and amendments thereto. The database shall be maintained for the purpose of providing information to law enforcement 24 25 and for any other purpose deemed necessary by the attorney general to 26 implement and enforce the provisions of the scrap metal theft reduction 27 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.

33 (c)(g) The information required by K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110, and 34 amendments thereto, maintained in such database by the attorney general 35 *Kansas bureau of investigation*, or by any entity contracting with the 36 attorney general *Kansas bureau of investigation*, submitted to, maintained 37 or stored as part of the system *may be provided to the attorney general* 38 *and* shall:

39 (1) Be confidential, shall only be used for investigatory, evidentiary 40 or analysis purposes related to criminal violations of city, state or federal 41 law and shall only be released to law enforcement in response to an 42 official investigation or as permitted in subsection-(d) (f); and

43 (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.

5 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,110 is hereby amended to read as 6 follows: 50-6,110. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell any item 7 or items of regulated scrap metal to a scrap metal dealer, or employee or 8 agent of a dealer, in this state unless such person meets the requirements of 9 this subsection.

10 (1) Such person shall present to such scrap metal dealer, or employee 11 or agent of such dealer, at or before the time of sale, the following: The 12 seller's name, address, *telephone number*; *email address*, sex, date of birth 13 and the seller's driver's license, military identification card, passport or 14 personal identification license. An official governmental document for a 15 country other than the United States may be used to meet this requirement 16 provided that a legible fingerprint is also obtained from the seller.

17 (2) Such person shall complete and sign the statement provided for in18 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, crossreference to previously received information, or accurately and legibly
record at the time of sale the following information:

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(1) The time, date and place of transaction;

(2) the seller's name, address, *telephone number, email 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 requirementprovided 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 thisparagraph between June 1, 2017, and January 1, 2020, may result in an
assessment of a eivil 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;

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

43 (6) the weight, quantity or volume, made in accordance with the

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1 custom of the trade, of the regulated scrap metal property purchased;

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

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

7 (9) the full name of the individual acting on behalf of the regulated 8 scrap metal dealer in making the purchase; and

9 (10) a signed statement from the seller indicating from where the 10 property was obtained and that: (A) Each item is the seller's own personal 11 property, is free of encumbrances and is not stolen; or (B) the seller is 12 acting for the owner and has permission to sell each item. If the seller is 13 not the owner, such statement shall include the name and address of the 14 owner of the property.

(c) Every scrap metal dealer shall photograph the item or lot of items 15 16 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 17 18 with the record of the transaction and the scrap metal dealer's register of 19 information required by subsection (b). Failure to comply with theprovisions of this subsection between June 1, 2017, and January 1, 2020, 20 21 may result in an assessment of a civil penalty by the attorney general of 22 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.

30 (f) Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, this section31 shall not apply to transactions in which the seller is a:

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(1) Registered scrap metal dealer;

33 (2) vehicle dealer licensed under chapter 8 of the Kansas Statutes34 Annotated, and amendments thereto; or

35 (3) scrap metal dealer or vehicle dealer registered or licensed in36 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.

42 (2) The attorney general may determine, by rules and regulations,43 which of the requirements of this section shall apply to transactions

1 described in subsection (g)(1).

2 (h) The amendments made to subsection (e) by section 13 of chapter
 3 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be unenforceable and shall
 4 not apply from June 1, 2017, to January 1, 2020.

5 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,112a is hereby amended to read as 6 follows: 50-6,112a. (a) A scrap metal dealer shall not purchase any 7 regulated scrap metal without having first registered each place of business 8 with the attorney general as herein provided.

9 (b) The attorney general shall establish a system for the public to confirm scrap metal dealer registration certificates. Such system shall 10 include a listing of valid registration certificates and such other 11 information collected pursuant to the scrap metal theft reduction act, as the 12 13 attorney general may determine is appropriate. Disclosure of any information through use of the system established by the attorney general 14 15 shall not be deemed to be an endorsement of any scrap metal dealer or 16 determination of any facts, qualifications, information or reputation of any 17 scrap metal dealer by the attorney general, the state, or any of their respective agents, officers, employees or assigns. 18

(c) A registration for a scrap metal dealer shall be verified and upon aform 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 ofbusiness 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 1 repeal; falsely reporting a crime, K.S.A. 21-3818, prior to its repeal; 2 3 interference with law enforcement, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5904, and amendments thereto; interference with judicial process, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 4 21-5905, and amendments thereto; or any crime involving dishonesty or 5 6 false statement or any substantially similar offense pursuant to the laws of 7 any city, state or of the United States.

8 (d) On and after January 1, 2020, each registration for a scrap metal 9 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 10 attorney general, for each particular place of business for which a 11 12 registration is desired.

13 (e) The attorney general shall accept a registration for a scrap metal dealer as otherwise provided for herein, from any scrap metal dealer 14 qualified to file such registration, to purchase regulated scrap metals. Such 15 16 registration shall be issued for a period of one year.

(f) On and after January 1, 2020, if an original registration is 17 accepted, the attorney general shall grant and issue renewals thereof upon 18 19 application of the registration holder, if the registration holder is qualified 20 to receive the same and the registration has not been revoked as provided 21 by law. The renewal fee shall be not more than $\frac{1,500}{500}$, as prescribed 22 by the attorney general.

23 (g) Any registration issued under the scrap metal theft reduction act shall not be transferable. 24

25 (h) This section shall not apply to a business licensed under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-2404, and amendments thereto, unless such 26 27 business buys or recycles regulated scrap metal that are not motor vehicle 28 components.

29 (i) The amendments made to subsections (d) and (f) by section 15 of 30 chapter 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be unenforceable and 31 shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to January 1, 2020.

32 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,112b is hereby amended to read as 33 follows: 50-6,112b. (a) After examining the information contained in a 34 filing for a scrap metal dealer registration and determining the registration 35 meets the statutory requirements for such registration, the attorney general 36 shall accept such filing and the scrap metal dealer shall be deemed to be 37 properly registered. 38

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

39 (1) A person who is not a citizen or legal permanent resident of the 40 United States.

41 (2) A person who is under 18 years of age and whose parents or legal 42 guardians have been convicted of a felony or other crime-which that would 43 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 (3) A person who, within 10 years immediately preceding the date of 4 filing, has pled guilty to, entered into a diversion agreement for, been 5 convicted of, released from incarceration for or released from probation or 6 parole for committing, attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit a 7 violation of: Article 37 of chapter 21 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, 8 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, 9 K.S.A. 21-3805, prior to its repeal, or K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5903, and 10 amendments thereto; compounding a crime, K.S.A. 21-3807, prior to its 11 repeal; obstructing legal process or official duty, K.S.A. 21-3808, prior to 12 its repeal; falsely reporting a crime, K.S.A. 21-3818, prior to its repeal; 13 interference with law enforcement, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 21-5904, and 14 amendments thereto; interference with judicial process, K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 15 16 21-5905, and amendments thereto; or any crime involving dishonesty or 17 false statement or any substantially similar offense pursuant to the laws of any city, state or of the United States. 18

(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.

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.

41 (10) A person who does not own the premises upon which the place 42 of business is located for which a license is sought, unless the person has a 43 written lease for at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of the period for which the license is to be 1 issued.

2 (c) Any person filing a scrap metal dealer registration may be subject 3 to a criminal history records check and may be given a written notice that 4 a criminal history records check is required. The attorney general may-5 require such applicant to be fingerprinted and submit to a state and 6 national criminal history record check. If required, such fingerprints shall 7 be used to identify the applicant and to determine whether the applicant 8 has a record of criminal history in this state or another jurisdiction. The 9 attorney general shall submit any fingerprints provided to the Kansasbureau of investigation and the federal bureau of investigation for a state 10 and national criminal history record cheek. Local and state law-11 12 enforcement officers and agencies shall assist the attorney general in the 13 taking and processing of fingerprints of applicants. The attorney general 14 may use the information obtained from fingerprinting and the criminal 15 history for purposes of verifying the identification of the applicant and in 16 the official determination of whether the scrap metal dealer registration 17 shall be accepted. If the criminal history record information is used to-18 disqualify an applicant, the applicant shall be informed in writing of that 19 decision. 20 (d) The amendments made to subsections (b)(10) and (c) by section 21 16 of chapter 96 of the 2015 Session Laws of Kansas shall be-

22 unenforceable and shall not apply from June 1, 2017, to January 1, 2020.

23 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 50-6,109a, 50-6,110, 50-6,112a and 50-24 6,112b are hereby repealed.

25 Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 26 publication in the statute book.