AN ACT concerning motor vehicles; relating to license plates; recipients of the purple heart medal; amending K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 8-1,140 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 8-1,140 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1,140. (a) (1) Any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less or motorcycles, who is a resident of the state of Kansas, and who submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles, in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the secretary of revenue, that such person was awarded a purple heart medal by the United States government for wounds received in military or naval combat against an armed enemy of the United States, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one distinctive license plate for each such passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle designating such person as a recipient of the purple heart medal. Such license plates shall be issued for the same period of time as other license plates upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1), one distinctive license plate may be issued to any recipient of the purple heart, to be displayed on any one vehicle owned or leased by such person without payment of the regular license fee as provided in K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto.

(b) Any recipient of the purple heart medal may make application for the distinctive license plates, not less than 60 days prior to such person's renewal of registration date, on a form prescribed and furnished by the director of vehicles, and any applicant for the distinctive license plates shall furnish the director with such proof as the director shall require that the applicant was a recipient of the purple heart medal. Application for the registration of a passenger vehicle, truck or motorcycle and issuance of the license plates under this section shall be made by the owner or lessee in a manner prescribed by the director of vehicles upon forms furnished by the director.

(c) No registration or distinctive license plates issued under the authority of this section shall be transferable to any other person.
(d) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a)(1), in the manner prescribed in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant has filed with the director a form as provided in subsection (b). If such form is not filed, the applicant shall be required to comply with K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the distinctive license plates to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2018 Supp. 8-1,140 is hereby repealed.

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