

## 2021 Kansas Statutes

**8-1,178. Autism awareness license plate; procedure; requirements.** (a) On and after January 1, 2018, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles or trucks registered for a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, who is a resident of Kansas, upon compliance with the provisions of this section, may be issued one autism awareness license plate for each such passenger vehicle or truck. Such license plates shall be issued for the same 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, and either the payment to the county treasurer of the logo use royalty payment established by autism hope for families, inc., or the presentation of the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b).

(b) The board of directors of autism hope for families, inc., may authorize the use of their logo to be affixed on license plates as provided by this section. Any royalty payment received pursuant to this section shall be used to support autism hope for families, inc. Any motor vehicle owner or lessee annually may apply to autism hope for families, inc., for use of such logo. Upon annual application and payment to either: (1) Autism hope for families, inc., in an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 as a logo use royalty payment for each such license plate to be issued, autism hope for families, inc., shall issue to the motor vehicle owner or lessee, without further charge, a logo use authorization statement, which shall be presented by the motor vehicle owner or lessee at the time of registration; or (2) the county treasurer of the logo use royalty payment for each license plate to be issued.

(c) Any applicant for a license plate authorized by this section may make application for such 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 such license plates shall either provide the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b) or pay to the county treasurer the logo use royalty payment established by autism hope for families, inc. Application for registration of a passenger vehicle or truck and issuance of the license plate 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.

(d) No registration or license plate issued under this section shall be transferable to any other person.

(e) The director of vehicles may transfer autism awareness license plates from a leased motor vehicle to a purchased motor vehicle.

(f) Renewals of registration under this section shall be made annually, upon payment of the fee prescribed in subsection (a), in the manner prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132(b), and amendments thereto. No renewal of registration shall be made to any applicant until such applicant provides to the county treasurer either the annual logo use authorization statement provided for in subsection (b) or the payment of the annual royalty payment established by autism hope for families, inc. If such statement is not presented at the time of registration or faxed by autism hope for families, inc., or the annual royalty payment is not made to the county treasurer, the applicant shall be required to comply with the provisions of K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, and return the license plate to the county treasurer of such person's residence.

(g) Autism hope for families, inc., shall provide to all county treasurers a toll-free telephone number where applicants can call autism hope for families, inc., for information concerning the application process or the status of such applicant's license plate application.

(h) As a condition of receiving the autism awareness license plate and any subsequent registration renewal of such plate, the applicant must provide consent to the division authorizing the division's release of motor vehicle record information, including the

applicant's name, address, royalty payment amount, plate number and vehicle type to autism hope for families, inc., and the state treasurer.

(i) Annual royalty payments collected by county treasurers under this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the autism awareness royalty fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury and shall be administered by the state treasurer. All expenditures from the autism awareness royalty 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 state treasurer or the state treasurer's designee. Payments from the autism awareness royalty fund to the appropriate designee of autism hope for families, inc., shall be made on a monthly basis.

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