### Lawmakers hear about motor vehicle usage tax legislation

**CAPITAL UPDATE** 

FRANKFORT — Some legislators want to attract veterans and service members to Kentucky, and members of the Interim Joint Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs and Public Protection learned about legislation Wednesday that could help those groups save money.

Mount Washington, told the committee that he is working on legislation to help draw veterans and service members to the commonwealth by exempting them from the motor vehicle usage tax.

"There's a 6% tax on motor vehicle usage, and a lot of folks are paying this when they move from somewhere else into the commonwealth. They're getting hit with this 6% tax," he said.

Griffee said the tax is burdening retirees who want to move back to Kentucky and soldiers who have a permanent change of station to Fort Knox or Fort Campbell.

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cost of his proposal but believes it would have low financial impact to the state.

Committee Co-Chair Sen. Matthew Deneen, R-Elizabethtown, said the bill isn't new, and he'd like to see it win approval during the 2026 Regular Session, which begins in January.

"When I first came to Rep. Peyton Griffee, R- Frankfort, this was one of the bills that I was trying to tackle at the time. Of course, it's dealing with revenue and taxes and all of that. It has to begin in the House," he said.

Griffee, a reservist himself, said some veterans and service members have paid the tax twice – once in their previous state and once again when

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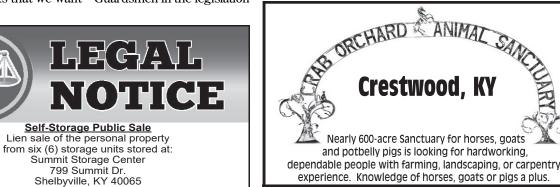
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Griffee also said he would These are people that are like to extend the tax break trained. They are excellent, for reservists and National

groups on the proposal.

Senate Minority Whip David Yates, D-Louisville, asked if there is a limit on how many vehicles could be affected by the legislation.

"If you wind up being kind of a part-time car dealer, where I guess you get six or so many you can run through, then you would avoid that at the clerk's office," he asked.



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