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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 373

As Amended by House Committee on Transportation

Brief*

SB 373 would amend a driver's license statute to reflect changes made in 2012 that extended temporary registration permits for vehicles from 30 days to 60 days. It also would require an applicant for a license to operate a motorized bicycle be at least 16 years of age, rather than 15 as in current law. The bill would be effective January 1, 2017.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Transportation at the request of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Sheriffs' Association, and Kansas Peace Officers Association. In the hearing of the Senate Committee, a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Sheriffs' Association, and Kansas Peace Officers Association indicated the bill essentially is a technical fix because the statute was overlooked in 2012 SB 300 when the terms of temporary registration permits were increased from 30 to 60 days. The representative also stated the temporary exemption from a requirement for a class M license to operate a motorcycle requires clarification because the exemption is dependent on the display of a 30-day permit and a 30-day permit is no longer issued. Written proponent testimony was provided by a representative of the Kansas Highway Patrol. No other testimony was provided.

^{*}Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.kslegislature.org

The Senate Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

The representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Sheriffs' Association, and Kansas Peace Officers Association also testified as a proponent to the House Committee on Transportation. There was no other testimony.

The House Committee amended the bill to make technical changes, to increase the minimum age for a license to operate a motorized bicycle, and to change the effective date of the bill to January 1, 2017.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget states, according to the Department of Revenue, enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect.