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The Honorable Rick Billinger, Chairperson Senate Committee on Ways and Means Statehouse, Room 548-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Billinger:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 488 by Senate Committee on Way and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 488 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 488 would eliminate the Division of Vehicles Modernization Surcharge which is a \$4 fee collected at the time of vehicle registration. The bill would take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

The 2008 Legislature created the Division of Vehicles Modernization Fund in the Department of Revenue and the Division of Vehicles Modernization Surcharge of \$4. The surcharge was authorized from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2012, to finance the Division of Vehicles Modernization Project for integration and modernization of the Vehicle Information Processing System, the Kansas Drivers' License System, and the Kansas Vehicle Inventory System. The 2010 Legislature reauthorized the \$4 surcharge to be credited to the State Highway Fund beginning January 1, 2013, to finance Transportation Works for Kansas (T-WORKS), the state's ten-year transportation program.

Through the appropriation process, the 2015 Legislature directed \$1 of the surcharge up to a maximum of \$1.0 million to each the Department of Revenue's Division of Vehicles Modernization Fund, the Department of Administration's Digital Imaging Program Fund, and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation's Criminal Justice Information System Line Fund with the remaining revenue credited to the State Highway Fund. The maximum amount credited to the Department of Administration's Digital Imaging Program Fund was subsequently reduced to \$500,000.

The Department of Revenue indicates the enactment of SB 488 would reduce annual revenue collected from the \$4 surcharge on average by approximately \$12.3 million beginning in FY 2023. Of the total, the bill would reduce annual funding diverted to the State Highway Fund by approximately \$9.8 million, the Department of Revenue's Division of Vehicles Modernization Fund by \$1.0 million, the Department of Administration's Digital Imaging Program Fund by \$500,000, and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation's Criminal Justice Information System Line Fund by \$1.0 million.

This fiscal effect associated with SB 488 is reflected in *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report*, which also includes backfilling expenditures by providing a \$1.0 million State General Fund appropriation to the Criminal Justice Information System Line Fund and transferring \$1.0 million from the State General Fund to the Department of Revenue's Division of Vehicles Modernization Fund. The sufficient balance in the Department of Administration's Digital Imaging Program Fund did not require backfilling from the State General Fund in FY 2023. The Division of the Budget notes that *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report* includes the elimination of all extraordinary transfers from the State Highway Fund in FY 2023. Extraordinary transfers from the State Highway Fund are approved at \$97.3 million in FY 2022, including \$66.9 million to the State General Fund.

Sincerely,

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