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MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Senate Committee on Transportation

From: Adam Siebers, Assistant Revisor

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Subject: Senate Bill No. 462

Summary

Senate Bill No. 462 authorizes the Director of Vehicles to waive the skills test requirements for a commercial driver's license (CDL) for applicants that qualify for a knowledge test waiver under the military even exchange program.

Senate Bill No. 462 amends the Kansas Uniform Commercial Drivers' License Act that requires an applicant for a Kansas CDL to be a resident of Kansas, and to pass a knowledge and skills test that complies with federal standards for driving a commercial motor vehicle. The Director of Vehicles may waive the skills test for an applicant who provides evidence of military commercial vehicle driving experience.

Senate Bill No. 462 would authorize the Director of Vehicles to additionally waive the skills test for applicants who provide evidence that they qualify for a knowledge test waiver under the military even exchange program. The military even exchange program allows a military member to exchange a military license for a CDL and waive the knowledge test if they have a certain occupational specialty or classification from their military service and qualify for the military skills test waiver.