

SESSION OF 2017

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE  
BILL NO. 2194**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Transportation

**Brief\***

Sub. for HB 2194 would exempt applicants for Class M (motorcycle) driver's licenses who have completed curriculum recognized by the Kansas Department of Education (Department of Education) from completing further written and driving testing by the Division of Vehicles. The bill also would exclude from any motorcycle safety course requirements of the State Board of Education that the course be conducted in Kansas if all other requirements are satisfied.

**Background**

A representative of ABATE of Kansas, Inc., spoke in support of the bill in the hearing of the House Committee on Transportation. He stated the U.S. Department of Defense and the Department of Education both recognize curriculum developed by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, which he described as the primary curriculum used in the country, and often use the same instructor.

No other testimony was provided.

The bill was referred to the House Committee on Appropriations on February 21, 2017, and rereferred to the House Committee on Transportation on February 22, 2017. The House Committee on Transportation amended the bill to exempt those who complete curriculum recognized by the

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\*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>

Department of Education from further testing and to remove provisions regarding fees for certain applicants for Class M driver's licenses; the House Committee recommended the amended bill as a substitute bill.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, is not applicable to the substitute bill, except that the Department of Education indicates the language allowing approved courses of motorcycle safety to be conducted outside the state would have no fiscal effect. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor's Budget Report*.