

SESSION OF 2018

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

As Amended by Senate Committee on  
Transportation

**Brief\***

Sub. for HB 2194, as amended, would exempt applicants for Class M (motorcycle) driver's licenses who have completed curriculum recognized by the Kansas Department of Education (Department of Education) and the Motorcycle Safety Foundation from completing further written and driving testing by the Division of Vehicles. The bill would require an applicant who completes a motorcycle safety curriculum to provide a copy of the Motorcycle Safety Foundation completion form to the Division of Vehicles prior to receiving a Class M license. The bill would clarify the driving examination required for licensure shall be administered by the Division of Vehicles, the U.S. Department of Defense, or as part of a recognized curriculum.

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

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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>

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 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.

A representative of ABATE of Kansas, Inc., presented proponent testimony to the Senate Committee on Transportation. No other testimony was presented.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to require the curriculum be recognized by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation in addition to by the Department of Education, require Motorcycle Safety Foundation proof of curriculum completion, clarify driving examination administration, and update statutory references.

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 2019 Governor's Budget Report*.