Session of 2010

Substitute for SENATE BILL No. 462

By Committee on Transportation

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10 AN ACT regulating traffic; concerning liability for damage to highway or structure; amending K.S.A. 8-1913 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 8-1913 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1913. (a) Any person driving any vehicle, object or contrivance upon any highway or highway structure shall be liable, **subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 60-258a, and amendments thereto**, for all damage reasonable costs, direct or indirect, associated with the repair of damages which said such highway or structure may sustain as a **proximate** result of any illegal operation, driving or moving of such vehicle, object or contrivance, or as a result of operating, driving or moving any vehicle, object or contrivance weighing in excess of the maximum weight in this act but authorized by a special permit issued as provided in this article regardless of whether a ticket has been issued or not. Indirect costs may include, but not shall be limited to, reasonable costs associated with damage assessment, engineering and design, mobilization, traffic control and detour costs.

- (b) Whenever such driver is not the owner of such vehicle, object or contrivance, but is so operating, driving or moving the same with the express or implied permission of said the owner, then said the owner and driver shall be jointly and severally liable for any such damage costs.
- (c) Such damage costs may be recovered in a civil action brought by the authorities in control of such highways or highway structure.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 8-1913 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.