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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 505

As Recommended by Senate Committee on Transportation

Brief*

SB 505 is new legislation which would require the Division of Vehicles to annually provide vehicle registration renewal notifications to all vehicle owners. Notification will include the total amount required for registration, including the property tax required. Failure by the Division to send notice or failure of registrants to receive the notice cannot be cause or excuse in law to fail to pay registration. Also, such failure cannot be made the claim or defense in any proceeding or matter whatsoever.

Background

The Director of Vehicles testified in support of the bill. She noted that as a courtesy to vehicle owners, the Division of Vehicles currently mails registration renewal notices approximately 45 days in advance of an applicant's expiration date. She also said that in 2001, the cost for producing the renewal notices was \$304,192. Postage costs were an additional \$485,255, for a total cost of \$789,447.

Senator Steineger also appeared in support of the bill.

The Director indicated that because the Division has been providing this service in the past, passage of the bill would not administratively impact the Department of Revenue.

Passage of this bill would not impact State Highway Fund revenues.

^{*}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.accesskansas.org/legislature/