SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2770

<u>As Amended by House Committee on
Transportation</u>

Brief*

HB 2770, as amended, would statutorily increase the photo fees from $4 to $12 for: (a) a driver's license; (b) holders of licenses to carry concealed weapons; and (c) the photograph placed on an identification card. The effective date would January 1, 2009.

Background

Conferee who testified in the support of the bill included: the Director of Vehicles, Carmen Alldritt; Representative Candy Ruff; and John Mettner, Adjutant General's Office. There were no other conferees. The Director of Vehicles informed the Committee that she expected the new revenue for the Photo Fee Fund that would be generated by the bill would be used for Secure Identity Management activities as well as to pay costs associated with bringing Kansas into Real ID compliance with federal law. She noted that these costs are still being identified and enumerated by the Division of Vehicles.

The House Transportation Committee amended the bill by placing the fees in statute rather than in the regulations. The Committee also changed the effective date of the act to January 1, 2009.

The fiscal note of the Department of Revenue estimates that passage of the bill would increase collections to the Photo Fee Fund in FY 2009 by approximately $5.9 to $7.4 million.

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The Department states that it would change the $4 fee to $12 and that it would use the new revenue collected from the fee increase for Security Identity Management activities and pay costs associated with bringing Kansas into compliance with the federal Real ID Act. These expenditures have not been specifically identified yet. Any fiscal effect resulting from the passage of HB 2770 is not included in *The FY 2009 Governor's Budget Report.*