February 5, 2021

The Honorable Mike Petersen, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Transportation
Statehouse, Room 345-S
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Petersen:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 101 by Senate Committee on Transportation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 101 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 101 would amend existing law to define “electric-assisted bicycle” as a bicycle with two or three wheels, a saddle, fully operative pedals for human propulsion, and an electric motor of less than 750 watts that meets the requirements of one of three classes created by the bill. The bill specifies that an electric-assisted bicycle is a vehicle to the same extent as a bicycle and cannot be considered a motor vehicle. The bill also specifies that the electric-assisted bicycle or the rider of an electric-assisted bicycle should be afforded the rights and privileges and be subject to all of the duties of a bicycle or a rider of a bicycle. An electric-assisted bicycle or a person riding an electric-assisted bicycle would not be required to maintain vehicle liability insurance coverage, a driver's license, registration, a certificate of title or a license plate. The bill further specifies requirements for labeling, operations, and restrictions on operations of an electric-assisted bicycle.

The Kansas Department of Revenue indicates that enactment of SB 101 would have no fiscal effect on the agency. The Kansas Department of Transportation states that enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agency.

Sincerely,

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Director of the Budget

cc:  Ben Cleeves, Transportation
     Lynn Robinson, Department of Revenue