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## Testimony

To: Chairman Petersen and members of the Senate Transportation Committee  
From: LaDona Garcia, Vehicle Services Manager, Division of Vehicles  
Date: March 9, 2023  
RE: House Bill 2149

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Good morning, Mr. Chairman and members of the Senate Transportation Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present as a neutral on HB2149.

After the bill passed through the House and in planning the implementation if the bill was signed by the Governor, the Division realized that it would be to the benefit of all parties if the implementation date was changed to January 1, 2025.

The year 2025 is the next year personalized plates will be required to pay the \$80 personalized plate fee to reserve their license plate combinations for the next 5 years, per K.S.A. 8-132. The personalized plate fee is due every five years and the next year to begin a reservation would be 2025, therefore this would benefit customers so they would not be paying for one year (2024 registration) before having to pay the \$80 again for 2025 series. This would cause less confusion for the customers and overall make the process much smoother. We appreciate your consideration.

I will respond to questions at the appropriate time.