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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2704

As Recommended by House Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

HB 2704 would provide that on and after January 1, 2009, any owner or lessee of one or more passenger vehicles, trucks of a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less, or motorcycles or travel trailers, may apply for and be issued one In God We Trust distinctive license plate for such vehicles. Other provisions of the bill would:

- Require the plates to be issued at the same time as other plates upon registration and payment of the regular license fee;
- Allow a license plate applicant to apply at least 60 days prior to the person's renewal registration date;
- Prohibit the transfer of the plate to another person;
- Require annual renewals to be made upon payment of the fee; and
- Require license plates to have a background design, an emblem or colors that designate the license plate as an In God We Trust license plate.

Background

Francis Landry and John Bremenkamp, Colby, testified in support of the bill. Jason Peck, Vice Chair, Libertarian Party

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of Kansas testified against the bill. No other conferees testified on the bill.

The fiscal note indicates that the Department of Revenue estimates that the passage of HB 2704 would increase collections of personalized license plate fees to the State Highway Fund by \$20,000 for the issuance of 500 license plates with a personalized license plate fee of \$40 each. The Department also estimates expenditures from the State Highway Fund of \$3,000 for the production of the 500 distinctive license plates, at \$6 per license plate. In addition, the Department estimates expenditures of \$7,040 for 11 days of contract programming to modify the Vehicle Information Processing System. Any fiscal effect resulting from the bill is not included in *The FY 2009 Governor's Budget Report*.