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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: House Committee on Transportation

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 11, 2025

Subject: Bill Brief – HB 2168

HB 2168 provides for the blackout distinctive license plate.

HB 2168 provides that a vehicle owner may be issued a blackout license plate for every vehicle or truck upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fees pursuant to K.S.A. 8-143. Additionally, the applicant for a blackout license plate must pay an annual fee of \$50 to the county treasurer. Standard requirements and fees for other distinctive license plates and personalized distinctive license plates will also apply to the blackout distinctive license plate.

Annual blackout license plate fees will be credited to the license plate replacement fund. The fund is administered by the secretary of revenue. Expenditures from the fund shall be used for costs associated with replacing license plates when the lifespan of such license plates is exhausted as determined by the director of vehicles.

The provisions of HB 2201 become effective July 1, 2025, but applications for the license plate will begin on January 1, 2026.