

**To: Senate Committee on Government Efficiency**

**From: Kraig Knowlton, Deputy Secretary  
Director of Personnel Services  
Department of Administration**

**Re: Written Testimony in Support of HB 2261**

**Date: February 27, 2025**

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of House Bill 2261.

The Department of Administration fully supports the Kansas Highway Patrol's proposal to amend K.S.A. 2024 Supp. 74-2113 to align with the agency's current structure. This legislation amends the statute to correct a previous oversight and accurately reflect the Kansas Highway Patrol's practices with respect to the appointment of Majors that has been in place for several years now.

This legislation can be implemented with no impact to either the Department of Administration or the Kansas Highway Patrol's current system or practices. The Department of Administration would be happy to answer any questions from the committee.