

February 5, 2026

The Honorable Shannon Francis, Chairperson
House Committee on Transportation
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 582-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Francis:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2578 by House Committee on Transportation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2578 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2578 would amend the statutory definition of “antique” related to the registration of antique vehicles, to include antique farm vehicles. The bill would define “antique farm vehicle” and require the Division of Vehicles to design a decal to issue to the owner of an antique farm vehicle when registered. The decal would be required to be designed to allow law enforcement officers to properly identify the vehicle as an antique farm vehicle and the owner would be required to affix the decal to a license plate issued for antique vehicles. The bill would also amend the requirements of exempted farm vehicles under the Uniform Commercial Driver’s License Act.

According to the Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR), enactment of HB 2578 would result in a loss of revenue to the State Highway Fund dependent on the number of farm vehicles that would be able to transition from an annual registration to a permanent antique registration with no renewal. The agency estimates there are 52,000 trucks at 26,001 pounds or less with farm usage. These farm vehicles could potentially be eligible for the antique farm vehicle registration under the bill. Using a weighted average annual registration fee of \$81.90, the estimated loss to the State Highway Fund would be \$4.3 million annually. The registration of farm vehicles to antique farm vehicles would result in revenue of about \$2.1 million, but it would be one-time. KDOR estimates a net reduction in State Highway Fund revenue totaling \$2.2 million in FY 2027 and \$4.3 million in future years for these trucks.

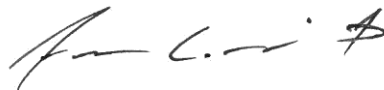
For trucks with farm usage greater than 26,001 pounds, KDOR estimates there are 24,000 that could potentially be eligible for antique farm registration under the bill. Using an average

registration fee of \$750, the estimated reduction in State Highway Fund revenue would be \$18.0 million annually. The one-time registration for these vehicles would total \$954,000. The net reduction in State Highway Fund revenue for these trucks is estimated to be \$17.0 million in FY 2027 and \$18.0 million in future years. Overall, for both types of trucks there is an estimated reduction in revenue totaling \$19.2 million in FY 2027 and \$22.3 million in future years. The agency also notes there would be one-time administrative costs totaling \$16,300 for changes on multiple interfaces to ensure the new plate type and usage, as well as updates to policy and procedures.

The Kansas Department of Transportation anticipates that the reduction in State Highway Fund revenue would require the agency to reassess planned expenditures for the agency and the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation (IKE) Program in FY 2027 and future years.

The Kansas Highway Patrol does not anticipate any fiscal effect on expenditures or revenue as a result of enactment of the bill. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2578 is not reflected in *The FY 2027 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", followed by a stylized flourish or symbol.

Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Lynn Robinson, Department of Revenue
Sherry Macke, Kansas Highway Patrol
Brendan Yorkey, Department of Transportation