#### SESSION OF 2025

### SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2201

As Amended by Senate Committee on <u>Transportation</u>

### Brief\*

HB 2201, as amended, would authorize the issuance of the FFA distinctive license plate on and after January 1, 2026, for use on a passenger vehicle or truck registered for a gross weight of 20,000 pounds or less.

The bill would establish procedures for a vehicle owner or lessee to obtain the license plate and the responsibilities of the Kansas FFA Foundation with regard to this license plate. The bill would allow the Kansas FFA Foundation to set the royalty for use of its logo for each license plate at an amount between \$25 and \$100, to be paid at initial issuance and renewal.

The bill would authorize the Director of Vehicles, Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR), to transfer an FFA license plate from a leased vehicle to a purchased vehicle.

The bill would direct all logo use royalty payments pursuant to continuing law: payments would be remitted to the State Treasurer and credited to a newly created royalty fund for the Kansas FFA Foundation. Payments from the royalty fund would be made to the Kansas FFA Foundation on a monthly basis.

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the Kansas Register.

<sup>\*</sup>Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <a href="https://klrd.gov/">https://klrd.gov/</a>

# **Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Transportation at the request of Representative Francis on behalf of Representative Rahjes and the Kansas FFA Foundation.

# House Committee on Transportation

In the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by Representative Rahjes and representatives of the Kansas FFA Foundation, Kansas Farm Bureau, Kansas Grain and Feed Association, and Neodesha FFA Chapter. The proponents explained the benefits to participants in the FFA organization, including leadership training and opportunities, public speaking practice, educational opportunities, instruction in the agricultural industry, networking opportunities, and camaraderie gained with membership.

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by representatives of the Kansas Association of Agricultural Educators, Kansas FFA Foundation, Kansas Farm Bureau, and Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation.

No other testimony was provided.

## Senate Committee on Transportation

In the Senate Committee hearing **proponent** testimony was provided by representatives of Kansas FFA Foundation and the Kansas Association of Agricultural Educators, and the Sentinel, Secretary, and Vice President of Kansas FFA. Proponents stated that enactment of the bill would help Kansans invest in tomorrow's agricultural leaders while showing support for FFA.

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by an agricultural education instructor and representatives of Kansas Farm Bureau and the Kansas Grain and Feed Association.

No other testimony was provided.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to make the effective date to be upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

## **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, KDOR estimates the bill would increase expenditures by \$2,890 in FY 2026 for administrative costs related to designing and manufacturing the new license plate and decrease revenues to the State Highway Fund by \$4,000 in FY 2026. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

Transportation; distinctive license plates; FFA; Future Farmers of America