

March 3, 2021

The Honorable Molly Baumgardner, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Education  
Statehouse, Room 445B-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Baumgardner:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 215 by Senate Committee on Education

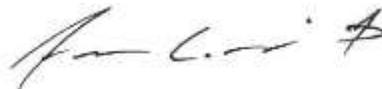
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 215 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 215 would transfer authority for postsecondary driver's education programs and driver training schools from the Kansas Board of Regents and the Kansas Board of Education to the Kansas Department of Revenue. The bill specifies that courses in truck driver training for an Interstate Commercial Class license must also comply with the Kansas Uniform Commercial Drivers' License Act. Further, the bill would require a person to be physically and mentally able to safely operate a motor vehicle in order to qualify as an instructor. All rules, regulations, orders and directives of the Kansas Board of Education pertaining to the functions of the Driver's Training School License Act in existence on July 1, 2021, would continue to be effective and would be deemed to be duly adopted rules, regulations, orders and directives of the Department of Revenue until revised, amended, revoked or nullified by law. The bill would create the Commercial Driver Education Fund in the State Treasury to be administered by the Department of Revenue in accordance with appropriations acts.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2021 SGF	FY 2021 All Funds	FY 2022 SGF	FY 2022 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	--	\$74,483	\$74,483
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	1.00

The Kansas Department of Revenue estimates SB 215 would increase its expenditures by \$74,483 from the State General Fund in FY 2021 which includes \$13,000 in one-time expenditures to update the driver's licensing system and annual costs of \$61,483 for 1.00 FTE position to create, process and maintain driver's education programs. The Kansas Department of Education indicates any costs associated with SB 215 would be negligible. The Kansas Board of Regents indicates any fiscal effect associated with the passage of SB 215 would be negligible. Further, the Board of Regents indicates it distributes funding for administration of truck driver training and motorcycle safety programs to participating public postsecondary educational institutions. During FY 2020, the Board expended \$65,400 from the Truck Driver Training Fee Fund and \$77,766 from the Motorcycle Safety Fee Fund. The Board indicates it receives no funding to administer the programs. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 215 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Kelly Oliver, Board of Regents  
Craig Neuenswander, Education  
Lynn Robinson, Department of Revenue