February 5, 2019

The Honorable Richard Proehl, Chairperson
House Committee on Transportation
Statehouse, Room 581-W
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Proehl:

SUBJECT:  Fiscal Note for HB 2088 by House Committee on Transportation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2088 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2088 would make it a violation for a person to operate or halt any vehicle in a manner that indicates a careless or heedless disregard for the right or the safety of others, or inattentively in a manner that endangers any person or property. The bill would add a fine of $45 for the offense of negligent driving.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates the bill would result in additional revenue from fines for the new violation and from docket fees for cases filed with the courts. Any additional cases would also increase the workload of the courts by requiring district court judicial and nonjudicial personnel to spend more time processing, researching and hearing cases. However, the Office is unable to estimate the fiscal effect on court expenditures and fine and docket fee revenue because the number of violations or cases that would occur under the bill is unknown.

The Kansas Highway Patrol indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agency. The League of Kansas Municipalities states that the fiscal effect on local government revenues and expenditures would be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2088 is not reflected in The FY 2020 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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Director of the Budget

cc: Sherry Macke, Highway Patrol
    Chardae Caine, League of Municipalities
    Jay Hall, Association of Counties
    Janie Harris, Judiciary