February 13, 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 2126 by House Committee on Transportation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2126 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2126 would prohibit electric scooters from being operated on any interstate highway, federal highway or state highway or on any public highway or street within city limits unless authorized by the city. Electric scooters would not be prohibited from crossing federal or state highways. The bill would exempt electric scooters from certain vehicle registration requirements. Violations of unlawful operation of an electric scooter would be a $75 fine.

The Department of Revenue estimates the bill would require additional information technology and administrative costs totaling $2,180 from the State General Fund in FY 2020 from adding a new vehicle type to its systems. The expenditures would include $1,940 for system testing and other information technology costs and $240 for updating policies and procedures.

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 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 the fiscal effect on local government revenues and
expenditures would be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2126 is not reflected in The FY 2020 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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