

To: Senate Committee on Transportation

From: Deborah Barnes, Staff Attorney

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RE: Neutral Testimony SB 18

We want to thank Chairman Petersen and the Committee members for giving the League of Kansas Municipalities the opportunity to present neutral testimony on SB 18.

SB 18 allows for military surplus vehicles, other than fully tracked vehicles, to be registered and driven on Kansas roads.

The League is neutral as to whether, in general, military surplus vehicles should be allowed on Kansas roads. Safety concerns for our cities' roads and people demand that such vehicles comply with size and weight restrictions mandated by the Uniform Act Regulating Traffic. As the bill is now drafted, military surplus vehicles will indeed comply with size and weight limits. These provisions answer the safety concerns that the League had with the version of this bill referred to this committee in the previous session, and we thank those responsible for introducing a bill this year with these welcome changes.