February 9, 2016

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

Dear Representative Proehl:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2527 by House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2527 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2527 would allow any person issued a Disabled Veterans, Prisoner of War, or Vietnam Veterans License Plate to request up to two decals for certain military medals or badges that would be attached to the license plate. The decals would be for recipients of the Combat Medical Badge, Army Combat Infantry Badge, Navy/Marine Corps Combat Action Ribbon, Army Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, Air Force Cross, or Distinguished Flying Cross. The bill requires a $2 fee for each decal that is issued.

The Department of Revenue indicates HB 2527 would require $11,120 from the Vehicle Operating Fund for administrative costs to implement the bill, including updating instructions for county officials, and to modify its motor vehicle processing system. The required programming for this bill by itself would be performed by existing staff of the Department of Revenue. However, if the combined effect of implementing this bill and other enacted legislation exceeds the Department’s programming resources, or if the time for implementing the changes is too short, expenditures for outside contract programmer services beyond the Department’s current budget may be required.

The Department of Revenue indicates that the revenue generated from issuing each decal would cover the costs associated with manufacturing the decals. The additional fee revenue would have no fiscal effect on the State Highway Fund. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2527 is not reflected in The FY 2017 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Jack Smith, Department of Revenue
Pam Rodriguez, Veterans Affairs