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MEMORANDUM

To:House Committee on TransportationFrom:Office of Revisor of StatutesDate:January 20, 2022Subject:Bill Brief – HB 2475

HB 2475 prohibits spot inspections by the Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP) on commercial motor vehicles when the posted speed limit of a highway is above 40 mph.

K.S.A. 8-1759 provides that the driver of a motor vehicle shall stop and submit their vehicle for spot inspections set up by the KHP to inspect the mechanical conditions of a vehicle. The spot inspections are required to be conducted in a manner that does not unnecessarily inconvenience or create any extended detours or unreasonable delays. Similar provisions exist in K.S.A. 66-1324 specifically tailored for KHP spot inspections on commercial motor vehicles.

HB 2475 states that no spot inspection of this type should be conducted on a commercial motor vehicle on any highway with a speed limit above 40 mph. There is an exception if the commercial motor vehicle spot inspection is performed on the shoulder at any entrance or exit of a highway that allows adequate space to perform the inspection. This new language is also referred to in K.S.A. 66-1324.

If enacted, the provisions of HB 2475 become effective July 1, 2022.