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## **Testimony**

To: Chairman Petersen and members of the Senate Transportation Committee

From: Lee Ann Phelps, Vehicle Services Manager, Division of Vehicles

Date: February 11, 2021 RE: Senate Bill 95

Good morning Mr. Chairman and members of the Senate Transportation Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present as a proponent on SB 95. This legislative change is being requested by the Division of Vehicles to conform with changes to the federal odometer disclosure law passed in the fall of 2019 when the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) issued a ruling to amend 49 CFR part 580.

The ruling changed the exemption on vehicle odometer disclosure requirements. Previous federal law required disclosure of odometer readings on change of ownership for any vehicle newer than 10 years old. The new federal rule will require disclosure for any vehicle model year 2011 and newer vehicles, however extends the odometer disclosure to vehicles 20 years.

This federal requirement became effective on January 1, 2021.

The bill proposes to amend K.S.A. 8-135(2) to remove the language "except that vehicles which are 10 model years or older" and replace with verbiage to indicate vehicle exempted from odometer requirements according to federal law.

You may recall a similar bill was proposed last year and passed out of Senate 39-0 before the pandemic.

I will respond to questions at the appropriate time.