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The Honorable Mike Petersen, Chairperson Senate Committee on Transportation Statehouse, Room 546-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Petersen:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 559 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 559 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law protects from civil action for damages, any optometrist or ophthalmologist reporting in good faith to the Division of Vehicles or the medical advisory board, any information relating to the visual condition or other ability of an applicant for a driver's license to safely operate a motor vehicle including any information provided in a vision report.

SB 559 would amend this provision to protect from liability for damages any optometrist or ophthalmologist reporting to the Division of Vehicles or the medical advisory board any information related to the vision of an applicant for a driver's license after the issuance or renewal of the applicant's driver's license.

The Kansas Department of Revenue indicates the enactment of SB 559 would have no fiscal effect on state revenues or expenditures.

Sincerely,

Adam Proffitt

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cc: Jan Murray, Optometry

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