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The Honorable Mike Petersen, Chairperson Senate Committee on Transportation Statehouse, Room 345-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Petersen:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 441 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 441 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 441 would create a new traffic violation and fine for negligent driving. The bill would prohibit persons who are operating or halting any vehicle in a manner as to indicate a careless or heedless disregard for the right or the safety of others, or inattentively in a manner as to endanger, or be likely to endanger, any person or property. The fine for negligent driving would be \$45.

SB 441 has the potential for increasing litigation in the courts because of the new violation created by the bill. If it does, the Office of Judicial Administration indicates that there would be a fiscal effect on the operations of the court system. However, it is not possible to predict the number of additional court cases that would arise or how complex and time-consuming they would be. Therefore, a fiscal effect cannot be determined. In any case, the fiscal effect would most likely be accommodated within the existing schedule of court cases and would not require additional resources. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 441 is not reflected in *The FY 2019 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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