



TESTIMONY OF ECONOMIC LIFELINES IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 189; CONCERNING FEES ON ELECTRIC AND HYBRID VEHICLES

Chairman Petersen and members of the Senate Committee on Transportation, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding Senate Bill 189.

I am Ed DeSoignie with Economic Lifelines.

Economic Lifelines was founded 30 years ago at the urging of Governor Mike Hayden who believed the voice of communities, businesses and transportation interests needed to be heard by the Legislature and Governor concerning transportation needs of our state. A listing of our members is attached to my testimony.

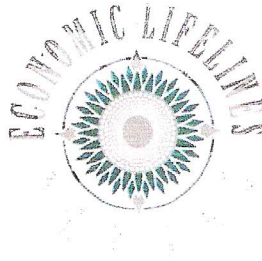
Senate Bill 189 is a product of the 2017 Legislative Transportation Task Force which held hearings through our state. The legislation proposes to take impose new fees on vehicles employing new, electric technologies that are projected to grow and eventually dominate surface transportation in our country.

Budget Director Campbell's fiscal note on the bill estimates revenues of \$600,000 to the State Highway Fund in Fiscal Year 2020 based on current numbers of approximately 11,400 hybrid and 1,340 electric vehicles registered in Kansas. Based on various projections and future trend lines of both electric and hybrid vehicle growth in the United States, these estimates will continue to grow in the years ahead. As such, they will provide needed revenues to the Kansas Department of Transportation for maintenance and improvement of the State Highway System.

Attached to my testimony is an article by J.P. Morgan Research discussing projections of future growth of electric and hybrid vehicles in the United States. Also attached is an article reporting on Ford Motor Company's plans to develop hybrid and all-electric versions of their popular F-150 pickup truck.

Economic Lifelines believes that the need for a stable and consistent funding stream for the State Highway Fund is a high priority. We believe Senate Bill 189 is a viable funding option for the Legislature to provide stable and consistent funding.

Thank you. I am available to answer your questions.



**Economic Lifelines Membership
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ACEC of Kansas	Montgomery County
ATSSA of Kansas	Olathe Chamber of Commerce
Berry Companies	Operating Engineers Local 101
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City of Newton	The Koger Agency
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Hamm, Inc.	Union Pacific Railroad
Heavy Constructors Association of Greater Kansas City	US-36 Association
Hwy 69 Association.	Watco Companies
Hutch/Reno Co Chamber of Commerce	
Jobs, Inc.	
Kansas Aggregate Producers Association	
Kansas City Building & Trades	
Kansas Asphalt Paving Association	
Kansas Association of Counties	
Kansas Contractors Association	
Kansas Good Roads	
Kansas League of Municipalities	
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