Kansas Good Roads, Inc.

TESTIMONY

Senate Committee on Transportation

SB 189

An Act concerning motor vehicles; relating to registration fees; electric and hybrid vehicles.

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Chairman Petersen and Members of the Committee:

Kansas Good Roads would respectfully ask for your support of SB 189, which would provide for the imposition of registration fees for:

- Those motor vehicles propelled by more than one power source mated together to work in conjunction (hybrid); and,
- Electric vehicles.

Based upon information provided to the Vision Transportation Task Force last fall, it is anticipated that we will significant increases in the number of electric and hybrid vehicles on the road over the next decade. Those vehicles use the same highways, roads and bridges as gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles and should bear their fair share of the costs that they currently avoid by paying limited or no fuel tax.

We believe it would be appropriate to amend the bill to include other fuel sources that may eventually come into the marketplace with a similar fee.

The members of Kansas Good Roads appreciate your consideration of SB 189 and encourage its favorable consideration.

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