

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Committee on **Ways and Means** recommends **SB 375** be amended on page 1, by striking all in lines 20 through 22; in line 23, by striking all before the period and inserting "The secretary shall establish targets for the state highway system condition that reflect the reasonable realistic expectations that have historically existed in providing a safe and efficient state highway system. The secretary shall utilize reasonable, sound and accepted methods to determine the annual preservation investment needed to achieve the state targets and provide optimum cost effectiveness in keeping the long-term system condition meeting such targets"; in line 27, before the semicolon by inserting ". The secretary shall manage cash flow and project lettings such that there is reasonable assurance that preservation will be fully funded each year. Pursuant to this subparagraph, preservation projects refer to existing infrastructure";

On page 3, in line 39, by striking "Motor fuel taxes and vehicle registration revenues" and inserting "State highway fund revenues, including, but not limited to, motor fuel taxes, vehicle registrations, sales and compensating use taxes and eligible federal aid,";

On page 4, in line 17, after "(2)" by inserting "It is the intent of the legislature that the secretary shall develop a metric-driven process that distributes state highway fund revenues available for the construction of modernization and expansion projects across the Kansas department of transportation districts such that the state highway funds spent on constructed modernization and expansion projects in each district over the 10 years will fall within the range determined.

(3)";

Also on page 4, by striking all in lines 22 and 23; in line 24, by striking all before the period and inserting "Not more than 60% of the modernization and expansion projects let to contract by the end of year five of the FORWARD transportation program shall occur in either rural or urban areas. For purposes of this paragraph, "urban area" means Douglas, Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee and Wyandotte counties, and "rural area" means all other counties"; in line 25, after "(n)" by inserting "It is the intent of the legislature that the secretary take the actions necessary to have transportation improvement projects ready to let to construction as cash-flow management allows.

(o)";

On page 6, in line 11, by striking "all" and inserting "three"; in line 12, before the semicolon by inserting ". One project utilizing toll revenues may be let to construction once every three years"; also in line 12, by striking the second "and"; in line 15, after "of" by inserting "the three"; also in line 15, after "revenues" by inserting "referenced in paragraph (2)"; in line 16, after "limit" by inserting "; and

(4) Any project utilizing alternative delivery shall equal or exceed \$100,000,000 in costs";

On page 7, following line 39, by inserting:

"New Sec. 5. (a) The secretary of transportation is directed to develop a driver's education scholarship grant program to assist qualified individuals to become safe drivers. Subject to the limitations of appropriations therefor, any entity that desires to provide a driver's education program may submit an application for a competitive grant of moneys in an amount to be determined by the secretary for the purpose of paying the costs of scholarships to attend a driver's education program. A scholarship for a qualified individual shall not exceed \$200. The secretary shall administer the provisions of this section and may adopt rules and regulations establishing additional criteria for qualification for a grant and such other matters deemed necessary by the secretary for the administration of this section.

(b) The provisions of this section shall expire on June 30, 2023. On or before January 9, 2023,

the secretary shall provide a report to the house of representatives appropriations and transportation committees and the senate ways and means and transportation committees on the driver's education scholarship grant program.

(c) As used in this section:

(1) "Federal poverty level" means the most recent poverty income guidelines published in the calendar year by the United States department of health and human services.

(2) "Qualified individual" means an individual who resides within the state of Kansas, is under 30 years of age and whose household income is positive and not more than 200% of the federal poverty level for the tax year prior to the year in which the application is submitted.";

On page 9, by striking all in lines 10 through 13; in line 14, by striking all before the semicolon and inserting:

"(4) all revenue available for the state highway fund, including, but not limited to, state highway fund balance from previous year, motor fuel taxes, registration fees, sales and compensating use taxes and bond proceeds;

(5) all committed expenditures identified by program, including, but not limited to, debt service payments, agency operations, aviation, transit, rail, cost-share, innovative technology, local bridge, project development costs by category, including, but not limited to, right-of-way purchases, engineering and utility relocation costs and construction payouts by program category, including, but not limited to, preservation, modernization and expansion;

(6) a report of remaining outstanding projects that have been let but have not been paid out and how those projects have been identified to achieve system condition targets. If such targets are not achieved with current projects or identified future projects, a report on additional funding necessary to achieve system condition targets";

Also on page 9, in line 37, by striking "(a)(7)" and inserting "(a)(8)"; also in line 37, by striking

"(a)(10)" and inserting "(a)(11)";

And by redesignating subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs and clauses accordingly;

On page 11, in line 3, after "projects" by inserting "for public transportation";

And by renumbering sections accordingly; and the bill be passed as amended.

_____Chairperson