

February 12, 2015

The Honorable Richard Proehl, Chairperson
House Committee on Transportation
Statehouse, Room 581-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Proehl:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2242 by House Committee on Transportation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2242 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2242 would exclude a truck tractor and dump semitrailer or truck trailer combination, from meeting wheel and axle weight limitations when used as a combination unit exclusively for the transportation of materials, specified in the bill, to a construction site, highway maintenance, construction project, or relocation.

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) indicates passage of HB 2242 would result in accelerated damage to pavements and bridges, making it difficult to properly design roadways and structures to accommodate loads that would be allowed by the bill. According to KDOT, enactment of the bill would necessitate an increase in operating expenditures to provide the level of design and maintenance that would be needed to preserve the pavement and structural integrity of the State Highway System. Because there is no upper limit to wheel or axle weights of vehicles covered by the bill, KDOT is unable to estimate additional maintenance and design expenditures at this time resulting from the passage of HB 2242. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2242 is not reflected in *The FY 2016 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Ben Cleaves, KDOT