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The Honorable Les Osterman, Chairperson House Committee on Veterans and Military Statehouse, Room 149-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Osterman:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2174 by House Committee on Veterans and Military

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2174 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2174 would make a veteran eligible for the "disabled veteran license plate" if the veteran submits satisfactory proof to the director of vehicles that he or she has a disability, condition or impairment that is permanent in nature. Under current law, a veteran is only eligible for the "disabled veteran license plate" if he or she is entitled to compensation for a service-connected disability of at least 50.0 percent, or compensation for the loss or permanent loss of use of one or both feet or one or both hands or for permanent visual impairment of both eyes.

The Department of Revenue indicates that HB 2174 would cost \$4,443 from the State General Fund to implement. The Department indicates that a system would need to be developed to include the newly added criteria to allow customers with "disabled veteran" characteristics access to the license plate. This would include developing a new form, eliminating the registration fee for those newly eligible veterans and issuing new correspondence and ID cards. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2174 is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

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