

SESSION OF 2021

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2165**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Transportation

**Brief\***

HB 2165, as amended, would amend the definition of an antique vehicle and eliminate the special interest vehicle classification of street rod vehicle, for purposes of vehicle registration.

An antique vehicle is defined as a vehicle, including an antique military vehicle, that is more than 35 years old. The bill would add the age of the vehicle would be determined regardless of the age or type of the components or equipment installed on the vehicle.

The bill would remove the portion of the definition of a special interest vehicle that defined a street rod vehicle as an altered or modified motor vehicle manufactured before 1949. In continuing law, a special interest vehicle is defined as a vehicle more than 20 years of age that has not been altered or modified from the original manufacturer's specifications except to assure normal running operation or to meet certain safety standards. The bill also would remove references to street rod vehicles from the definitions of "collector" and "parts car."

In statutes regarding registration fees, the bill would remove references to a street rod from provisions regarding an annual registration fee for a special interest vehicle and a one-time processing fee to defray the cost of issuing a collector's special interest vehicle license plate. A provision placing a collector's identification number on the license plate

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\*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

of a special interest vehicle would no longer apply to a street rod vehicle.

The bill would make technical and conforming amendments.

### **Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Transportation at the request of Representative Delperdang.

[*Note:* HB 2165 as introduced contained provisions identical to those of 2020 HB 2528 as it passed the House.]

### ***House Committee on Transportation***

In the House Committee hearing on February 3, 2021, Representative Delperdang, a representative of Kansas Car Shows, LLC, and a private citizen provided **proponent** testimony. Proponents stated the current definition of an antique vehicle requires all parts be those originally manufactured for the vehicle, and many newer and upgraded parts are placed on older vehicles for safety and aesthetic purposes. It also was stated certain vehicles fall into neither the antique nor street rod categories.

No **opponent** or neutral testimony was provided.

The House Committee amended the bill to remove references to street rod vehicles. It was stated a vehicle that has been classified as a street rod vehicle would become an antique vehicle for registration purposes.

[*Note:* The one-time registration fee for an antique vehicle is \$40 (KSA 2020 Supp. 8-172). An annual tax registration fee of \$5 also applies (KSA 2020 Supp. 8-167). The annual registration fee for a special interest vehicle is

\$26 (KSA 8-195). “Collector” is defined as the owner of one or more special interest vehicles (KSA 8-194).]

### **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill as introduced, the Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR) indicates an additional 68,444 currently registered vehicles could be registered as antique, for which registration fees are lower. According to the Division of Vehicles, KDOR, 113 vehicles were registered as street rods in 2020. KDOR estimates the average annual loss of revenue to the State Highway Fund to be \$1.9 million if the bill is enacted. In addition, KDOR estimates enactment of the bill would increase administrative expenses by \$1,432 to update policy and procedures. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Vehicle registration; antique vehicle; street rod vehicle; license plate; vehicle safety standards