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To: Senator Mike Petersen Chair of the Senate Transportation Committee

From: Shilo Heger, Riley County Treasurer

Re: Support of Senate Bill 215

Senator Petersen and members of the Senate Transportation Committee, my name is Shilo Heger. I currently serve as the Riley County Treasurer. Thank you for allowing me to offer my testimony in support of Senate Bill 215. This bill would allow those renewing their vehicle registration electronically the ability to present a receipt in lieu of decal for up to 10 days following the expiration of their current registration.

Many customers like to wait until the last day of the month to renew their vehicle registrations. For some it is budgetary constraints. For others it is just a timing issue. This bill would allow those who want to wait until that last day the ability to renew online, receive a receipt to serve as the registration, and not fear getting a ticket if pulled over for not displaying the actual decal.

Riley County has a significant number of customers that cannot renew their registrations online. A large number of military customers renew in our office. These customers have to bring in documentation on an annual basis in order to receive a property tax exemption. The number of customers that come in on the last day of the month can be daunting. If this bill is passed we could encourage more to renew online so they are not affected by the long lines of those who, for statutory reasons, cannot renew online.

When a customer renews their registration online there is a several day delay between the time they process the renewal and the day they receive their decal. Most offices do their best to get the web renewals processed as quickly as possible, but systematically it takes time. I respectfully request that you support this bill. I know our offices would see an increase in online renewals if the customer knew they would be safe to drive with the receipt in hand until their decal arrives. Thank you for your consideration.