

ROADS AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING -- MARCH 4, 1971

The Roads and Highways Committee met in room 535 at 2:45 P. M. on March 4, 1971. Chairman Dierdorff called the meeting to order and all members were present except Representatives Hughes (excused), Lady and Ossmann.

Conferees were: On House Bill 1431, Representatives Heinemann, Gaines, Thiessen; Frank W. Strait, Eldorado, Rancher; Mary Turkington, Kansas Motor Carriers' Association; on House Bill 1475, Representative Younkin; Gene E. Masterson, Arma, Crawford County Treasurer; on House Bill 1508, Representative Nothern; Henry H. Blase, Topeka, Investors Diversified Services; Fred Allen, League of Kansas Municipalities; on House Bill 1515, Warren Shaw and Willard Noller, Kansas Motor Car Dealers.

Guests present were: Gil Broxterman, Topeka, Kansas Motor Car Dealers; Ray Lindbergh, Topeka, Kansas Motor Carriers' Association; N. F. Krentzer, Hays, Kansas, Ellis County Treasurer; Catherine Newton, Alma, Wabaunsee County Treasurer.

HOUSE BILL 1431 - AN ACT relating to vehicles; providing for the registration thereof; amending KSA 1970 Supp. 8-143, and repealing the existing section.

Mr. Heinemann and Mr. Gaines explained the bill. Frank Strait appeared in opposition to the present fee schedule and in support of this bill - said that he operates 15 acres. He has numerous trucks but sometimes they have to schedule large trucks and for various reasons they are scheduled somewhere else and that it causes an inconvenience.

Mr. Thiessen appeared in support of the bill.

Mary Turkington appeared in opposition to the bill - she said the highway transportation industry sympathizes with the problem. She said there is an adequate solution in the law. She said they frequently have to appear to defend the integrity of the farm tag. She said the mistake they made was picking up the language from the fee schedule - that never was it their intention that a truck-tractor be included in this schedule. She petitioned the committee that the farm tag schedule was intended for farms -- if the dollar is not the problem, we should protect the farm tag.

Mr. Heinemann asked the committee to consider the attached amendment if they considered the bill. (Exhibit I)

Mr. Ratner asked Miss Turkington about changing it from 6,000 miles to 10,000.

Miss Turkington said when these tag schedules were developed, the soil conservation people said it would work a hardship on them and they would only need about 3,000 miles and it went up more. She does not feel the limit should be changed.

HOUSE BILL 1475 - AN ACT relating to vehicles; providing for the registration thereof; increasing certain fees and providing for disposition thereof; amending KSA 1970 Supp. 8-145 and repealing the existing sections.

Mrs. Younkin explained the bill, using exhibit II, attached.

Mr. Davis asked if the purpose of the bill was to raise local revenue?

Mrs. Younkin said her purpose was to make a few more honest people.

Mr. Masterson said he did not come up either for or against this bill. The Treasurers' Association won't quibble on the prices charged on these tags - whatever the fee schedule they try to enforce it. He wondered if this would take money away from the state highway. He referred to page 14 on the bill.

Mrs. Younkin said this difference would be between \$4 and \$8.50.

Mr. Masterson said that under the provisions of this bill they would make distribution January 15, July 15 and October 15th. He said at that time the treasurers are busy with other distributions and that it would cause inconvenience to the treasurers in meeting deadlines.

HOUSE BILL 1508 - AN ACT relating to the registration of motor vehicles; concerning the transfer of registration and number plates; amending KSA 1970 Supp. 8-127 and repealing the existing section.

Mr. Nothern explained the bill and introduced Hank Blase, who told of the problem he had. He said he felt this is a penalty against a person who has to sell his old car before buying another used car. He asked for support of the bill.

HOUSE BILL 1515 - AN ACT relating to the transfer of ownership of vehicles; amending KSA 1970 Supp. 8-135 and repealing the existing section.

Mr. Shaw explained the bill and proposed the attached amendment. (Exhibit III). He introduced Willard Noller.

Mr. Noller said they have been operating under the old title law for many years and while it is a good law, they think some changes are necessary. He said they consulted with the

Motor Vehicle Department and they told them they would draft a form that the seller would deliver to the buyer and that they would receive a Certificate of Title within three days.

HOUSE BILL 1490 - AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; requiring special permits for the movement of vehicles of excessive size or weight.....

Mr. Ratner said he checked with the Highway Department and it seems like it would be better not to take any hasty action on this but hold it over and see what they can work out with the Highway Commission.

HOUSE BILL 1539 - AN ACT concerning permits for the operation or movement of a vehicle or combination of vehicles of excess size or weight of vehicle or load on highways; amending KSA 1970 Supp. 8-5,122, and repealing the existing section.

Mr. Ratner explained that after the discussion on March 3, the following amendment was suggested by John Morse of the State Highway Department: On page 4, line 2, by striking "and such"; by striking all of line 3; by striking line 4 through the word "permits".

Mr. Ratner made a motion, second by Mr. Steffes, that House Bill 1539 be so amended. Motion carried.

Mr. Hayes made a motion, second by Mr. Jacobs, that House Bill 1539 be passed as amended. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Fran Stafford, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:


ARDEN DIERDORFF, CHAIRMAN

March 8, 1971

Except as otherwise noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim and this record has not been approved by the committee or by the individuals making such remarks

2-4-77
HB 1431
Exhibit I

MR. SPEAKER:

Your committee on Roads and Highways

Recommends that House Bill No. 1431

"An Act relating to vehicles; providing for the registration thereof; amending K. S. A. 1970 Supp. 8-143, and repealing the existing section."

Be amended:

On page 5, in unnumbered line 13 of the schedule following line 7, by striking "42,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "50,000"; in unnumbered line 14 of said schedule, by striking "42,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "50,000";

On page 6, in line 1, by striking "forty-two thousand (42,000)" and inserting in lieu thereof "fifty thousand (50,000)"; in line 5, by striking "forty-two thousand"; in line 6, by striking "(42,000)" and inserting in lieu thereof "fifty thousand (50,000)";

And the bill be passed as amended.

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Exhibit II

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT
KANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Room 506 - State House

Phone 296-3181

Date February 9, 1971

TO: REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPHINE YOUNKIN Desk No. 16

RE: INCREASED TAG FEES FOR FARM TRUCKS AND PASSENGER AUTOMOBILES
UNDER 3,000 POUNDS.

The data listed below was obtained from the Motor Vehicle Department:

<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Increased Fee</u>	<u>Total \$ Increase</u>
Farm Trucks 6,000 lbs. or less	62,790	4.00	\$251,160
Farm Trucks 6,000 to 8,000 lbs.	44,359	2.50	\$110,987
Passenger Cars 3,000 lbs. or less	252,617	2.50	\$631,617
Total Revenue Increase			\$993,764

If we may be of further service to you, please let us know.

J. W. Drury
J. W. Drury, Director

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3-4-71

Younkin

HB 1475

Exhibit II

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT
KANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Room 506 - State House

Phone 296-3181

Date March 3, 1971

TO: REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPHINE YOUNKIN Desk No. 16

RE: MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES

The history of the Kansas Motor Vehicle Registration Tax for passenger cars is as follows:

- 1913 law - \$5
- 1929 law - \$8 plus 50¢ per 100 pounds over 2,000
- 1933 law - \$4 plus 25¢ per 100 pounds over 2,000
- 1949 law - \$6.50 plus 35¢ per 100 pounds over 2,000
- 1963 law - Present schedule --
 - \$10.00 - 3,000 pounds or less
 - \$12.50 - 3,000-4,000 pounds
 - \$15.00 - 4,000-4,500 pounds
 - \$20.00 - over 4,500 pounds

The history of the Kansas Farm Tractor is as follows:

- 1955 law - \$7.50 - 4,000 pounds or less
 - 10.00 - 4,000-8,000 pounds
 - 15.00 - 8,000-16,000 pounds
 - 30.00 - 16,000-24,000 pounds
 - 50.00 - over 24,000 pounds
- 1957 law - \$8.50 - 6,000 pounds or less
 - 10.00 - 6,000-8,000 pounds
 - 12.50 - 8,000-12,000 pounds
 - 15.00 - 12,000-16,000 pounds
 - 20.00 - 16,000-20,000 pounds
 - 30.00 - 20,000-24,000 pounds
 - 50.00 - over 24,000 pounds

The above fee schedule for farm truck or tractor is still in effect.

In summary the \$10.00 registration fee for passenger cars - 3,000 pounds or less has been in effect since 1963, while the present fee schedule for farm trucks has been in effect since 1957.

If we may be of further service, please let us know.

J. W. Drury, Director

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Amend
3-4-71
HB 1515
Exhibit III

AMEND HOUSE BILL NO. 1515 Section 1 (c) (6) Line 2 of
page 7 as follows:

by inserting before the word "seller" in said section,
the following:

"seller shall have in his possession at said time
a certificate of title to said vehicle and . . . "