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Senate Committee on Transportation Informational Hearing Senator Mike Petersen, Chair

Informational testimony in support of Kansas FFA Distinctive License Plate (HB2201)

Greetings Senator Petersen and members of the Transportation Committee:

I am writing to express my support for the Kansas FFA distinctive licence plate (HB2201). This legislation will make it possible for young people to have another opportunity to educate and advocate for agriculture across Kansas. FFA equips its members with personal growth opportunities along with leadership events and career development events that help set them up for success in the workforce.

As a Kansas FFA state officer I have the opportunity to meet members across the state and hear their stories about agriculture and how it has had an impact on their lives. With there being FFA chapters in 103 out of 105 county's and more schools chartering a chapter every year it is vital we provide more ways that they can advocate for the organization that helped them find their passion. Kansas FFA has seen exponential growth over the past decade with almost 14,000 members and 239 chapters.

A Kansas FFA license plate is more than just a way to register a vehicle, it's a symbol of support for agricultural education and leadership development in the state. By purchasing this specialty plate, individuals contribute to scholarships, leadership programs, and career development opportunities for Kansas FFA members. The funds raised help equip young leaders with the skills needed to succeed in agriculture, business, and community service. Additionally, the plate promotes awareness of the FFA organization, encouraging others to recognize and support its mission of preparing future generations for success in the agricultural industry. I know there are alot of specialty licence plates already but if someone has a passion they should be able to support it and advocate for it.

I ask you to support the Kansas FFA license plate (HB2201), not just because of the revenue it would create but where that revenue is going to go. It will go to students and support them in finding their careers and developing leadership skills. In FFA we have a motto Living to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live and Living to Serve. I encourage you to look at this motto and support the license plate.

Sincerely,

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Kansas FFA State Secretary