

February 10, 2026

The Honorable Shannon Francis, Chairperson
House Committee on Transportation
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 582-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Francis:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2607 by House Committee on Transportation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2607 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

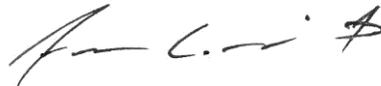
HB 2607 would designate the Great Plains Transportation Museum in Wichita as the official site and repository for the Kansas Railroad Hall of Fame. The bill would establish a selection committee for the Kansas Railroad Hall of Fame, who would be required to meet annually, serve without compensation, and make decisions by a majority vote. The selection committee would be composed of the Executive Director of the Museum, the Executive Director of the Historical Society, two members appointed by the Governor, one representative of the railroad industry, and two representatives of the public. The selection committee would be required to select two individuals annually for induction into the Kansas Railroad Hall of Fame. Candidates would have to meet certain requirements, including working within the state with an officially sanctioned railroad or in the manufacture of railroad-related products, rail cars, or locomotives. The bill would allow any member of the selection committee to nominate a candidate for consideration. The selection committee would be required to provide an appropriate location at the Great Plains Transportation Museum to display materials recognizing inductees, establish a website, and solicit gifts and donations. The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) would be required to assist with the siting and establishment of such displays. The bill would also require the selection committee to provide appropriate ceremonies at least annually and could charge fees for attendance.

KDOT and the Historical Society indicate enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on the agencies. The Historical Society notes that all anticipated expenditures would be

reimbursed through selection committee's funds. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2607 is not reflected in *The FY 2027 Governor's Budget Report*.

The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on any cities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", followed by a stylized flourish or symbol.

Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Brendan Yorkey, Department of Transportation
Matthew Chappell, Historical Society
Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities