

January 22, 2025

The Honorable Mike Petersen, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Transportation  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 546-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Petersen:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 8 by Senate Committee on Transportation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 8 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 8 would require drivers to take precautions when approaching stopped, standing, or parked vehicles displaying some type of hazard warnings according to the type of highway traveled on and the weather and traffic conditions present. The bill would add a \$75 fine for unlawful passing of a stationary vehicle.

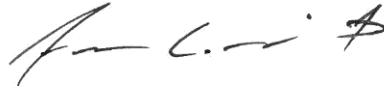
The Office of Judicial Administration indicates enactment of SB 8 could have a fiscal effect on Judicial Branch operations because the bill would create a new traffic violation, which could increase the number of cases filed in district court and result in more time spent by court employees and judges processing and deciding cases. The Office indicates enactment of the bill could result in the collection of fees and fines assessed in those cases filed under the bill's provisions, which would be credited to the State General Fund. However, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) indicates the agency's Traffic Records Enhancement Fund currently receives 2.23 percent of all district court fines, penalties, and forfeitures, while the agency's Seat Belt Safety Fund receives 2.20 percent. KDOT estimates enactment of the bill could increase the number of fines collected because of the new traffic infraction, which would increase revenues to both funds; however, KDOT is unable to estimate a fiscal effect because the agency does not have enough information to estimate how many citations would be issued.

The Kansas Department of Revenue indicates enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on agency operations. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 8 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

The League of Kansas Municipalities states enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on Kansas cities. The Kansas Association of Counties states the bill's enactment could have a fiscal effect on Kansas counties, depending on the number citations issued.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a distinct flourish at the end.

Adam C. Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

cc: Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities  
Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties  
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Brendan Yorkey, Department of Transportation  
Trisha Morrow, Judiciary