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## Written Testimony of Kansas Commerce Secretary Pat George on SB 181

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I want to express my support for SB 181, which will help to grow the Kansas economy. As you know, new and used car dealers are a major economic driver of the economy in Kansas, especially in small-and medium-sized communities in the more rural areas of the state.

As a former car dealer myself, I can personally vouch to the power of these businesses to help sustain economic activity in our communities and provide jobs. As a former legislator, I worked with several of you in the past in reforming property taxation for vehicles to help increase the number of new vehicles sold in Kansas.

I believe SB 181 deserves consideration in the Legislature, and I believe it will help expand the economy in Kanas.

I ask that you support this legislation.

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