

February 14, 2013

The Honorable Ty Masterson, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Statehouse, Room 545-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Masterson:

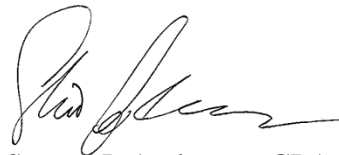
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 117 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 117 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, each fiscal year a transfer of \$500,000 is made from the Highway Patrol Training Center Fund of the Kansas Highway Patrol to the State General Fund. SB 117 would eliminate this transfer.

According to the Kansas Highway Patrol, the elimination of the annual \$500,000 transfer would create a dedicated funding source toward hiring new troopers. The combination of these funds, along with monies freed up through retirements would allow the agency to establish a consistent hiring timeline and recruit qualified candidates. The elimination of the \$500,000 transfer contained in SB 117 is reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*; however, additional expenditures by the Kansas Highway Patrol are not included.

Sincerely,



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cc: Kim Torrey, KHP