

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5008

By Committee on Transportation

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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION encouraging the Kansas Department
2 of Transportation to make engineering decisions based upon
3 established, professional findings and methodologies rather than
4 political considerations.

5 WHEREAS, The Kansas state highway system contains
6 approximately 9,500 miles of highway, and in the year 2010 in excess of
7 26 million daily vehicle miles were traveled on them; and

8 WHEREAS, Users of Kansas highways include those traveling in
9 passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles and on motorcycles; and

10 WHEREAS, In 2010 there were approximately 80,000 motorcycles
11 registered in the state of Kansas; and

12 WHEREAS, The Kansas department of transportation has adopted
13 policies relating to the construction and engineering of Kansas highways,
14 but has not followed those policies and may be exposing the state to
15 liability for injuries suffered as a result of not following those policies;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, The Kansas department of transportation should engineer
18 and design roadways to standards that ensure the safety of all users,
19 including those who ride motorcycles: Now, therefore,

20 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,*
21 *the Senate concurring therein:* That we encourage the Kansas Department
22 of Transportation to use professional findings and methodologies when
23 making engineering decisions and not base such decisions upon political
24 considerations; and

25 *Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State be directed to
26 provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Secretary of
27 Transportation.