



KANSAS COUNTY TREASURERS ASSOCIATION

Christie Bittel, Rush County, President

To: House Transportation Committee

From: Christie Bittel, President Kansas County Treasurers Association

February 12, 2015

Re: House Bill 2181

Good Afternoon Chairman Proehl & Transportation Committee Members:

My name is Christie Bittel, Rush County Treasurer and current President of the Kansas County Treasurers Association. I am here as a representative of the Kansas County Treasurers Association to express our support for House Bill 2181. The increase of \$10.00 for Kansas vehicle titles would greatly benefit all counties throughout the State of Kansas

As our responsibilities and workload with the current vehicle system have shifted and increased in the past two years, the funds to support these changes have decreased. Many system changes require more time and expertise per transaction, and along with this change comes the financial burden.

Many county treasurers are now faced with a shortfall of funds to make this system work well for their county and for the State of Kansas. Please understand, not all county treasurers are having the financial shortfalls, but the additional funds would help with many vehicle solutions that may and will come in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you regarding House Bill 2181. Other county treasurers are here to speak to you regarding the benefits of this bill, after their testimonies, all will be open for questions.

Thank you for your consideration.