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TO: Kansas Senate Transportation Committee

FROM: Joe Grisolano, Crawford County Treasurer

SUBECT: SB 215

Chairman Petersen and Committee members,

I am providing written testimony in support of SB 215 as Treasurer of Crawford County. This legislation allows Kansas motorists to provide a paid current registration receipt in lieu of displaying a registration decal for 10 days after the vehicle license plate has expired. This renewal process would be an on-line or electronic transaction and the customer prints a receipt when the transaction is completed.

As you know, county motor vehicle offices are busy at the end of the month as customers must renew vehicle registration before months end when the plate is due. This legislation helps relieve congestion in offices at the end of the month. Currently, we are unable to tell customers to renew on-line the last few days of the month as we know they will not receive the mailed decal until the on-line transaction is processed in office.

People wait until the last minute to renew vehicle registrations for many reasons. This legislation would make it easier for the public to drive legally, even if they procrastinate. Law enforcement has been consulted on this legislation and support the idea of a receipt in lieu of decal for a 10 day period.

In conclusion, I ask you to support this legislation. It provides a simple way to alleviate congestion from county motor vehicle offices and for the public to legally operate their vehicle if they wait until the last day to renew their vehicle registration. Thank you for your consideration and for allowing me to submit this testimony.