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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

REGARDING SENATE BILL 288 RELATING TO DESIGNATING A PORTION OF US-77 AS THE CPL.ALLEN E. OATNEY AND SP4 GENE A. MYERS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

March 11, 2020

Mr. Chairman and Committee Members:

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is providing written neutral testimony for Senate Bill 288 relating to designating a portion of US-77 as the CPL. Allen E. Oatney and SP4 Gene A. Myers Memorial Highway.

The entirety of US-77 is already named the Prairie Parkway. This bill will require the listed section of the Prairie Parkway highway to be bisected from the existing statutes and renamed. Any signs within this segment referring to the Prairie Parkway will be removed.

This bill has a companion House Bill (HB 2502) that passed this committee with amended language to more accurately meet location of the designated segment of highway by the requestors. Senate Bill 288 did not get that language adjusted before passing out of the Senate. We would request the language changes made to HB 2502 in this committee be also applied to SB 288 for consistency.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written neutral testimony on Senate Bill 288.