

Release of State Motor Vehicle Records; HB 2126

HB 2126 amends law restricting access to motor vehicle records. The bill removes from state law certain purposes for which state motor vehicle records may be released, but also authorizes release for any purpose not listed in Kansas law that is permissible under the federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act as it existed on January 1, 2018.

The bill makes corresponding changes to provisions directing \$1.00 from fees for each record requested to the Highway Patrol Training Center Fund.

[*Note:* The federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act (in 18 USC 2721(b)) includes various permissible uses, including these: to carry out a governmental function, by any government agency or private person or entity working on its behalf; in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft, emissions, product recalls or advisories, motor vehicle market research, and updating manufacturer owner records; for use by insurers, in connection with claims investigation or antifraud activities, rating, or underwriting; to give notice to owners of towed or impounded vehicles; for response to requests for individual records if the State has obtained express consent of the person to whom such personal information pertains; and for any other use specifically authorized under state law if the use is related to the operation of a motor vehicle or public safety.]