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MEMORANDUM

To: House Committee on Transportation
From: Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: February 8, 2021
Subject: Bill Brief – HB 2166

HB 2166 provides for the Braden’s Hope for Childhood Cancer license plate.

HB 2166 provides that a vehicle owner may be issued a Braden’s Hope for Childhood Cancer license plate for every vehicle or truck upon proper registration and payment of the regular license fees pursuant to K.S.A. 8-143. Additionally, the applicant for a license plate must pay either the county treasurer the logo use royalty fee established by Braden’s Hope for Childhood Cancer or present a logo use authorization statement to the county treasurer that was provided to such applicant from Braden’s Hope for Childhood Cancer upon payment to them of the same fee. The logo use royalty fee established by Braden’s Hope for Childhood Cancer must be between \$25 and \$100 and is an annual fee.

These license plates, like all distinctive license plates unless exempted, are subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,141. Under current law in K.S.A. 8-1,141, distinctive license plates will not be issued until there is an initial issuance of 500 license plates and payment by the sponsoring organization of the initial design costs for the license plates up to \$20,000. Distinctive license plates are also subject to the personalized license plate fee prescribed in K.S.A. 8-132. The sponsoring organization must also provide a design for the license plate and provide a phone number or email address where people can inquire about the license plate.

All logo use royalty payments made to county treasurers are remitted to the State Treasurer and will then be credited to the newly created Braden’s Hope for Childhood Cancer royalty fund pursuant to K.S.A. 8-1,141(h). Payments from the Braden’s Hope for Childhood Cancer royalty fund shall be made on a monthly basis to Braden’s Hope for Childhood Cancer.

HB 2166 would also change the distinctive license plate production requirements and require a sponsoring organization to guarantee an initial issuance of 250 distinctive license

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plates, down from an initial issuance of 500 plates, and provide up to \$5,000 in development costs to the Division of Vehicles, down from \$20,000. The bill would also change the discontinuance requirements to 250 license plates in the first two years of sales and 125 license plates minimum issuance for any subsequent two-year period. The bill would also amend the requirements for educational institution distinctive license plates to an initial issuance of 100 license plates and for the Division to discontinue those plates if there are less than 100 license plates sold in the first two years of sales or 50 license plates for any subsequent two-year period.