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**LEGISLATIVE TESTIMONY**  
**by the**  
**Kansas Motor Carriers Association**  
**before the**  
**Senate Transportation Committee**  
**Senator Mike Petersen, Chairman**  
**Friday, March 19, 2021**

**In Support of House Bill No. 2167**

**MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE**  
**SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:**

I am Tom Whitaker, Executive Director of the Kansas Motor Carriers Association. I appear before you this morning representing our member companies and the highway transportation industry to express our support for House Bill No. 2167. The bill allows a license plate issued for a concrete mixer truck to be attached on the front or rear of the vehicle; and requires a license plate issued for a dump truck registered for a gross weight of 26,000 pounds or more to be displayed on the front of the vehicle. Further, HB 2167 provides for law enforcement to issue warning tickets to dump trucks for failure to display the license plate on the front of the vehicle until January 1, 2022.

As a contractor for the Kansas Department of Revenue Division of Vehicles to provide vehicle registration services in Topeka for Commercial Motor Vehicles (CMV) and Apportioned Registered Vehicles (IRP) we see daily these truck operators coming to our office to get replacement tags. The license tag has either been destroyed, lost, or stolen. The Kansas Department of Revenue reports that last year 1,819 license plates for CMV and IRP vehicles were replaced. We know from our customers; a large portion of the replacement license plates came from the owners of dump trucks.

As a bonus, dump truck operators will no longer be subject to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's safety regulation that requires a working light on the rear mounted license plate.

Mr. Chairman, the vote in the Kansas House of Representatives was 125 – 0. On behalf of KMCA, we thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today and we ask the Senate Transportation Committee to recommend HB 2167 favorably for passage. I would be pleased to respond to any questions you may have.

