

# SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

## Minutes of the 1st Meeting of the 2025 Regular Session

February 5, 2025

### Call to Order and Roll Call

The first meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Transportation was held on February 5, 2025, at 9:30 AM in Room 131 of the Capitol Annex. Senator Jimmy Higdon, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

### Present were:

Members: Senators Jimmy Higdon Chair; Donald Douglas Vice Chair; Senators Karen Berg, Greg Elkins, Brandon Smith, Brandon J. Storm, Phillip Wheeler, Gex Williams, and Mike Wilson.

Guests: Richard Bartlett, Trauma Program Director, Kentucky Hospital Association; Jason Smith, MD, Chief Medical Officer, University of Louisville Health; Zach Warringer, MD, Trauma Surgeon. University of Louisville Health

LRC Staff: John Snyder, Dana Fugazzi, Ashley Nash, and Christina Williams.

### Bills for Consideration

#### SB 43/CS

#### ***AN ACT relating to operator's licenses.***

**Sponsor:** Senator Donald Douglas

Senate Bill 43 was discussed by its sponsor, Senator Donald Douglas, who indicated there was a committee substitute on the measure. Senator Greg Elkins made a motion to adopt the committee substitute. Senator Brandon Storm seconded the motion, which passed by voice vote. After brief discussion, Senator Brandon Storm made a motion to pass Senate Bill 43 as amended by the committee substitute. Senator Greg Elkins seconded the motion, which passed on a 9-0-0 roll call vote.

#### SB 57/CS

#### ***AN ACT relating to funding health care services from increased penalties for speeding violations.***

**Sponsor:** Senator Stephen Meredith

Senate Bill 57 was discussed by its sponsor, Senator Stephen Meredith, who indicated there was a committee substitute on the measure. Appearing with Senator Meredith was Richard Bartlett, Trauma Program Director, Kentucky Hospital Association; Jason Smith, MD, Chief

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Medical Officer, University of Louisville Health; and Zach Warriner, MD, Trauma Surgeon, University of Louisville Health, who all spoke in favor of the measure. After brief discussion, Senator Mike Wilson made a motion to pass Senate Bill 57 as amended by the committee substitute. Senator Donald Douglas seconded the motion, which passed on a 7-1-1- roll call vote.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Higdon adjourned the meeting at 10:30 A.M.