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The Honorable Steve Brunk, Chairperson House Committee on Federal and State Affairs Statehouse, Room 285-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Brunk:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2431 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2431 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law prohibits municipalities from enacting any ordinances, resolutions, rules or taxes related to the transportation, possession, carrying, sale, transfer, purchase, gift, devise, licensing, registration or use of a knife or knife making components. It also prohibits municipalities from enacting ordinances, resolutions or rules relating to the manufacture of knives that are any more restrictive than those relating to the manufacture of any other commercial good. HB 2431 would make any such ordinance, resolution, rule or tax related to knives or the manufacture of knives adopted on or before June 30, 2014 null and void. The bill exempts school districts and jails from the definition of "municipality" and provides a definition for "knife."

According to the League of Kansas Municipalities, passage of HB 2431 would have no fiscal effect on Kansas municipalities. According to the Kansas Association of Counties, passage of the bill could require additional expenditures if a municipality needed to repeal an ordinance, rule, resolution, or tax and had to reprint or update documents, but the Association believes that fiscal effect would be negligible.

Sincerely,

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