

February 13, 2014

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The Honorable Larry Powell, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Natural Resources
Statehouse, Room 237-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Powell:

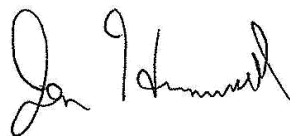
SUBJECT: Corrected Fiscal Note for SB 323 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following corrected fiscal note concerning SB 323 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, unless the instrument that creates a conservation easement otherwise provides, the duration of a conservation easement is limited to the lifetime of the grantor and the easement may be revoked at the grantor's request. The limitation does not affect the power of the court to modify or terminate a conservation easement. SB 323 would expand the limitation so that conservation easements created on or after July 1, 2014, would terminate upon the death of the grantor or at the end of a term of years specified in the instrument creating the easement, whichever comes first. The original fiscal note did not clarify current law regarding the granting of easements.

According to the League of Kansas Municipalities and the Kansas Association of Counties, passage of SB 323 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



Jon Hummell,
Interim Director of the Budget

cc: Larry Baer, League of Municipalities
Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties