

February 4, 2015

The Honorable Dennis Hedke, Chairperson  
House Committee on Energy and Environment  
Statehouse, Room 581-W  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hedke:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2131 by House Committee on Energy and Environment

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2131 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2131 would extend the sunset date on the statutory transfers to the Abandoned Oil and Gas Well Fund of the Kansas Corporation Commission from FY 2016 to FY 2023. Currently, quarterly transfers of \$100,000 from the State General Fund, \$100,000 from the State Water Plan Fund, and \$100,000 from the Conservation Fee Fund of the Kansas Corporation Commission are to be deposited in the Abandoned Oil and Gas Well Fund.

Although the bill would allow for the transfers into the Abandoned Oil and Gas Well Fund to continue through FY 2023, often times these transfers do not occur. The fiscal effect of the bill would be to assume that the transfers do occur. This would include a \$400,000 transfer out of the State General Fund and a \$400,000 transfer out of the State Water Plan Fund, with both transfers deposited in the Abandoned Oil and Gas Well Fund, and an internal transfer of \$400,000 from one fee fund to another within the Kansas Corporation Commission. The bill would increase revenue to the fund by \$1,200,00 in FY 2016.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Amy Gilbert, KCC  
Susan Metzger, Water Office