

January 29, 2016

The Honorable Marvin KleeB, Chairperson  
House Committee on Taxation  
Statehouse, Room 185-N  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative KleeB:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2493 by House Committee on Taxation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2493 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, if a city or county passes a budget that requires additional property taxes compared to the previous year, with certain exceptions, then the budget would be required to be approved by voters beginning on January 1, 2018. HB 2493 would eliminate this requirement.

The Department of Revenue indicates HB 2493 would have no fiscal effect on state revenues. The Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities indicate the bill has the potential to decrease costs for local governments, including the costs associated with evaluating and determining that any budget increases meet any of the approved exceptions, or with conducting an election if the local government budget requires additional property taxes compared to the previous year.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Larry Baer, League of Municipalities  
Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties  
Jack Smith, Department of Revenue