

February 9, 2016

The Honorable Mark Hutton, Chairperson  
House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development  
Statehouse, Room 521-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hutton:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2595 by House Committee on Appropriations

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2595 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2595 would reserve for the Legislature, through statewide legislation, the regulation of consumer incentive items and nutrition labeling for food and non-alcoholic beverages on menus in restaurants, retail food establishments, or vending machines. The state and any political subdivision of the state would be prohibited from enacting, adopting, or continuing in effect local legislation concerning the establishment, operations or regulation of a food service operation based on the nutritive or non-nutritive status of the food. The bill would also prohibit restrictions on the sale, distribution or serving of any foods and non-alcoholic beverages that are approved for sale by the U.S. Department of Agriculture or state government agencies and would prohibit restrictions on growing or raising livestock or crops raised for food and approved for sale by the U.S. Department of Agriculture or other federal or state government agencies. The bill would not be more restrictive than any federal laws or affect the regulation of nutrition labeling according to the federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.

According to the Kansas Department of Agriculture, passage of HB 2595 would have no fiscal effect on the agency budget. The Kansas Association of Counties states that it does not appear that passage of the bill would have any fiscal effect on Kansas counties, and the League of Kansas Municipalities indicates that it is unable to determine what the fiscal effect on Kansas cities would be.

Sincerely,



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cc: Justin Law, Agriculture  
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