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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: Fiscal Note for SB 425 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 425 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 425 would give boards of county commissioners authorization to regulate the granting of conservation easements on properties located within the county. If a property stretches across more than one county, the boards affected may reach an agreement regarding the regulations associated with the property.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates that expenses relating to the oversight of conservation easements would increase for counties from the enactment of SB 425. However, the fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

Director of the Budget