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The Honorable Ty Masterson, Chairperson Senate Committee on Utilities Statehouse, Room 224-E Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Masterson:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 68 by Senate Committee on Utilities

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 68 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law allows cities to require that telecommunications local exchange service providers that intend to provide local exchange service in a city enter into a valid contract franchise ordinance. SB 68 would prohibit a city from requiring a wireless services provider or wireless infrastructure provider that intends to provide or build and install infrastructure to provide wireless service to enter into a valid contract franchise ordinance.

According to the Kansas Corporation Commission, enactment of SB 68 would have no fiscal effect on agency expenditures or revenues. The League of Kansas Municipalities states that enactment of the bill would not have an effect on existing or ongoing revenues to cities in Kansas; however, because no franchise fees could be charged, cities would not see the increase in revenues with the implementation of wireless services that they ordinarily experience when additional public utilities are deployed.

Sincerely,

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