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The Honorable Troy Waymaster, Chairperson House Committee on Appropriations Statehouse, Room 112-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Waymaster:

SUBJECT: Revised Fiscal Note for HB 2712 by House Committee on Appropriations

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following revised fiscal note concerning HB 2712 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2712 would establish the Kansas Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial Act within the Department of Commerce. The Commission would plan, encourage, develop, and coordinate the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States. The Commission would cooperate with the United States Semiquincentennial Commission. The bill would detail who would serve as voting members for the 20-person Commission and their duties. The bill would prohibit Commission members from receiving compensation.

On or before December 31, 2022, the Commission would submit a report to the Governor, Secretary of Commerce, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives that contains recommendations for the commemoration. The Commission would also report annually any funds received or expended and outcomes achieved and if those achievements meet the Commission's goals. The bill would also establish the Kansas Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial Gifts and Donations Fund, which would be administered by the Department of Commerce.

The bill would allow the Secretary of Commerce to donate any remaining property in possession of the Commission after December 31, 2027, to local municipalities or state agencies. On December 31, 2027, the Director of Accounts and Reports of the Department of Administration would transfer all monies and liabilities in the Kansas Commission for the United States Semiquincentennial Gifts and Donations Fund to the operating expenditures account of the State Economic Development Initiatives Fund of the Department of Commerce. The Commission would be abolished on December 31, 2027.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2022 SGF	FY 2022 All Funds	FY 2023 SGF	FY 2023 All Funds
Revenue				
Expenditure	\$81,240	\$81,240	\$89,060	\$89,060
FTE Pos.		1.25		1.25

The Department of Commerce estimates expenditures totaling \$73,500 in both FY 2022 and FY 2023, all from the State General Fund. The estimated amount would be ongoing and includes \$67,500 for salary and wage expenditures, including fringe benefits for an additional 1.00 FTE position and \$6,000 for overhead, travel, and operational costs. The agency indicates it would require funding from the State General Fund until revenues generated from the newly created fund could support the expenditures. Revenues for the new fund could not be estimated. Since the original fiscal effect statement was issued, the Department received information that previously anticipated website costs would not be necessary.

The Kansas Historical Society states that because the bill requires a designee from the agency to assist with the project the agency would require \$7,740 from the State General Fund in FY 2022 and \$15,560 in FY 2023. The funds would support hiring a 0.25 FTE position. The agency estimates those same expenditures from FY 2022 through half of FY 2028, but with adjustments for increases in salaries and wages and other fringe benefits. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2712 is not reflected in *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates that costs for the Commission would have a negligible fiscal effect on counties, but the total amount cannot be estimated. The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates that the bill would not have a fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

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