

January 31, 2022

The Honorable Ken Rahjes, Chairperson
House Committee on Agriculture
Statehouse, Room 112-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Rahjes:

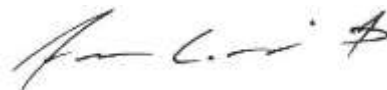
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2560 by House Committee on Agriculture

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2560 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2560 would provide for the re-authorization of certain penalties and fees in relation to the Pesticide and Fertilizer and Water Appropriations Programs within the Kansas Department of Agriculture. These penalties and fees are currently scheduled to sunset on July 1, 2023, and this legislation would reauthorize them for a continued period of five years, until July 1, 2028. The bill would also provide for the re-authorization of the Water Transition Assistance Program (WaterTAP) for an additional eight years until July 1, 2030.

The proposed legislation will have no measured effect on either the expenditures or the revenues of the Kansas Department of Agriculture, as the bill is an authorization of the extension of current policy already in place. However, should the legislation not pass, there would be a significant fiscal impact to the agency, equal to the loss of both Pesticide and Fertilizer fees and Water Appropriations fees, as have been collected under the current legislation. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2560 is not reflected in *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Debra Jones, Water Office
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