

February 15, 2024

The Honorable Michael Fagg, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Utilities  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 548-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Fagg:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 457 by Senate Committee on Utilities

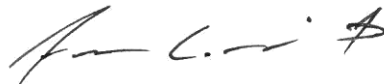
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 457 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 457 would amend current law pertaining to public utilities and solar powered generation equipment. The bill would prohibit a public utility from exercising eminent domain for the siting or placement of solar powered electric generation equipment, including panels.

The Kansas Corporation Commission and the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) indicate that the enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect. CURB notes that SB 457 could potentially cause a shift in the valuation of property as well as increased income tax owed by landowners because of the elimination of eminent domain for the acquisition of land. These changes could affect state and local revenues; however, CURB cannot estimate a fiscal effect.

The League of Kansas Municipalities and Kansas Association of Counties indicate that the enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties  
Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities  
Shonda Rabb, Citizens Utility Ratepayer Board  
Peter Barstad, Kansas Corporation Commission