January 27, 2020

The Honorable Ron Highland, Chairperson
House Committee on Agriculture
Statehouse, Room 458-W
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Highland:

SUBJECT:  Fiscal Note for HB 2462 by House Committee on Agriculture

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2462 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Prior to its consolidation by 2011 Executive Reorganization Order No. 40 into the Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) as the Division of Conservation, the State Conservation Commission was a stand-alone state agency operating under statutes specifically related to its establishment and operations.  HB 2462 would serve as a “clean-up” bill and is intended to clarify the powers and duties that exist within the current relationship between the Commission, the KDA, and the Division acting within the KDA.  The bill would specify the types of surveys, investigations and research that conservation districts have the power to conduct as well as the types of projects for which appropriations from grants may be made to those districts.  The bill makes a number of technical corrections.

According to the KDA, enactment of HB 2462 would have no fiscal effect on agency operations.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc:  Kellen Liebsch, Agriculture