

February 18, 2021

The Honorable Ken Rahjes, Chairperson
House Committee on Agriculture
Statehouse, Room 149D-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Rahjes:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2336 by House Committee on Agriculture

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2336 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

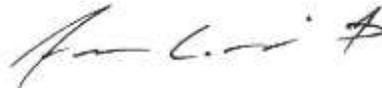
HB 2336 would make it unlawful for a person to take or attempt to take a wildlife simulated device that is being used by a law enforcement officer for the purpose of enforcing the wildlife laws of this state. Penalties for violation of this bill would be the same as the unlawful taking of the actual wildlife being simulated.

The Office of Judicial Administration states that, because the bill would create a new crime, additional cases could be filed which could result in additional time spent by judges in hearing cases and clerks in processing those cases. The additional cases could also result in additional docket fees being collected. However, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated because the number of cases is unknown.

The Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism indicates that the bill would not affect expenditures or revenues of the Department. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2336 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties assumes that this would be a rare offense and that any additional expenditures caused by enactment of HB 2336 would be absorbed within existing resources. The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates that the bill would not have a fiscal effect on cities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Proffitt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Chris Tymeson, Wildlife, Parks & Tourism
Sherry Macke, Highway Patrol
Jay Hall, Association of Counties
Wendi Stark, League of Municipalities
Debbie Thomas, Judiciary