January 26, 2021

The Honorable Dan Kerschen, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources
Statehouse, Room 225A-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Kerschen:

SUBJECT:   Fiscal Note for SB 40 by Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 40 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. SB 40 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 SB 40 would have no fiscal effect on agency operations.

Sincerely,

Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc:  Kellen Liebsch, Agriculture