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The Honorable Adam Smith, Chairperson House Committee on Taxation 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 346-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Smith:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2662 by House Committee on Taxation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2662 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2662 would provide a sales tax exemption for the Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation for the purpose of constructing, equipping, reconstructing, maintaining, repairing, enlarging, furnishing, or remodeling a building that is operated by the Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation and is located on the grounds of the Kansas State Fair. The sales tax exemption would also be extended to any contractor hired for constructing, equipping, reconstructing, maintaining, repairing, enlarging, furnishing, or remodeling the building for the Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation. The bill includes reporting requirements for contractors and penalties for the use of the sales tax exemption that is determined to not be part of this project, which would be punishable as a misdemeanor. The sales tax exemption would go into effect on July 1, 2024, but for purchases made on or after May 19, 2023, and prior to the effective date of the bill, the organization would be eligible to submit a sales tax refund request.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect			
	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Expenditures			
State General Fund			
Fee Fund(s)		\$1,800	
Federal Fund			
Total Expenditures			
Revenues			
State General Fund		(\$155,000)	
Fee Fund(s)		(33,000)	
Federal Fund			
Total Revenues		(\$188,000)	
FTE Positions			

The Department of Revenue estimates that HB 2662 would decrease state revenues by \$188,000 in FY 2025. Of that total, the State General Fund is estimated to decrease by \$155,000 in FY 2025, while the State Highway Fund is estimated to decrease by \$33,000 in FY 2025. This bill is also estimated to decrease local sales tax revenues; however, the specific estimate of lower local sales tax revenues was not calculated by the Department of Revenue.

To formulate these estimates, the Department of Revenue reviewed data from the Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation, which reports that its building project is estimated to be completed by the 2024 Kansas State Fair in September. The costs of any future projects are unknown. According to the Department of Revenue, reissuing sales tax publications and revising forms would cost \$1,800 from the State General Fund in FY 2025.

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) indicates that the bill would reduce state revenues to the State Highway Fund as noted above.

The Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities indicate the bill would provide a net reduction to local sales tax collections that are used in part to finance local governments.

Sincerely,

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