

February 14, 2011

The Honorable Larry Powell, Chairperson
House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources
Statehouse, Room 149-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Powell:


SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2183 by House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2183 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2183 would enact the Interstate Environmental Freedom Compact, allowing the Governor to enter the compact on behalf of the state. The compact would ensure consistency in how environmental regulations are applied and enforced across state lines. Member states would be required to honor other member state's environmental freedom law and the bill would establish the mechanism to cooperate with other states.

The Division of the Budget contacted the natural resource agencies and upon review, the agencies were not able to determine what, if any, fiscal effect the bill would have.

Sincerely,



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