January 26, 2022

The Honorable Ken Corbet, Chairperson
House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources Budget
Statehouse, Room 118-N
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Corbet:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2456 by Representative Corbet, et al.

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2456 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2456 would allow the Secretary of Wildlife and Parks to issue a Kansas kids lifetime combination hunting and fishing license to any child five years of age or younger upon payment of a fee not to exceed $200.

The Department of Wildlife and Parks states that the agency currently sells combined lifetime hunting and fishing licenses for individuals at any age that are only usable from 16 to 74 years of age at a cost of $960. HB 2456 would allow a license to be purchased for children under the age of five years for $200, which would also be usable from 16 to 74 years of age. The agency receives federal funds for operating a hunting and fishing licensure program but must meet certain qualifications to receive these federal funds, including minimum revenue requirements. Based on the potential for lost state revenue due to the lower lifetime licensure fee, the agency estimates that federal funding may also be reduced by at least $12,300 per year, beginning in FY 2022. However, because the agency cannot estimate the number of licenses that would be sold under the provisions of HB 2456, a precise fiscal effect cannot be determined. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2456 is not reflected in The FY 2023 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Terry Bruce, Wildlife & Parks