February 28, 2013

The Honorable David Crum, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 512-N
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Crum:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2372 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2372 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2372 would require that all local governments that provide artificially fluoridated water notify consumers of the water of certain findings regarding the ingestion of fluoride. The bill would permit the notice to be included with or printed on water bills or by any other means that the city felt would adequately make the consumers aware of the findings.

According to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, passage of HB 2372 would have no fiscal effect on its budget. The Kansas Association of Counties states that passage of the bill would cause increased printing costs for counties and local governments, but did not indicate the extent of those costs or how it arrived at its conclusion. The League of Kansas Municipalities is unable to determine if there would be a fiscal effect or what that effect might be as it does not have information regarding the number of cities that fluoridate their water or what additional expenses would be incurred in giving the required notice.

Sincerely,

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