

February 22, 2021

The Honorable Kent Thompson, Chairperson  
House Committee on Local Government  
Statehouse, Room 187C-N  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Thompson:

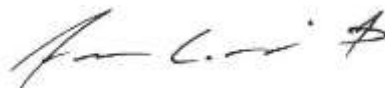
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2233 by House Committee on Local Government

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2233 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2233 would create the Municipal Historic Building Act. The Act would prohibit any city from selling, destroying, demolishing, disposing of or otherwise alienating any public building that is more than 80,000 square feet in size and has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places without first obtaining the approval by a majority vote of all of the qualified electors voting at the next scheduled general election. The city would be required to pay all costs related to the placement of the question for approval on the ballot, which would be phrased as follows: "Shall the City of \_\_\_\_\_, Kansas, sell, destroy, demolish, dispose of or otherwise alienate any public building with a commonly known address of \_\_\_\_\_." This Act would take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates HB 2233 would increase expenditures for cities for the costs of placing the question of selling, destroying, demolishing, or disposing of a public building on a public ballot. The League notes that if a city could not absorb the costs of implementing the bill within its existing resources, it could result in increased property taxes.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Wendi Stark, League of Municipalities  
Matthew Chappell, Historical Society