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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Ken Rahjes, Chairperson House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 112-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Rahjes:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2006 by Representative Carmichael

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2006 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, a person could use a spotlight or other artificial light to spot or locate wildlife while in possession of a weapon if authorized by law or rules and regulations of the Secretary of Wildlife and Parks. HB 2006 would make it unlawful for a person to use a spotlight or other artificial light to spot or locate wildlife while in possession of a weapon.

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks states that the enactment of HB 2006 would have negligible fiscal effect. Currently, the agency collects \$1.00 for each night vision permit sold. In FY 2022, the Department received \$140 in fees from selling 140 night vision permits at its regional and park offices. If HB 2006 were enacted, the agency states that it would not sell any night vision permits, thus decreasing revenues. The Kansas Association of Counties states it does not know if the use of artificial light is a widespread issue, and therefore, the fiscal effect is unknown. The League of Kansas Municipalities states that this bill would not have a fiscal effect on cities.

Sincerely,

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cc: Terry Bruce, Department of Wildlife & Parks Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties