

February 15, 2011

The Honorable Steve Huebert, Chairperson
House Committee on Local Government
Statehouse, Room 149-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Huebert:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2187 by House Committee on Local Government

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2187 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2187 would allow any person, partnership, or corporation that owns land in an unincorporated area of a county outside the planning jurisdiction of a city or county, to plat the land and submit that plat, with an abstract of title, to the board of county commissioners of the county in which the land is located. Within 30 days of the first meeting of the board following the submission of the plat, if the plat is approved, it would need to be filed with the register of deeds of the county. If the subdivision of the platted land contains a blanket easement, that easement would be unenforceable if there was no reasonably defined or expressed use contained in the recorded description of the easement. However, the easement could be enforced if the holder of the easement could provide the property owner, on written request and in a timely manner, a reasonable, definite and specific description of the easement that is appropriate for its use.

According the Kansas Association of Counties, passage of HB 2187 would have no fiscal effect on the counties in Kansas.

Sincerely,



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cc: Melissa Wangemann, KS Association of Counties