

February 17, 2011

The Honorable Pete Brungardt, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs  
Statehouse, Room 136-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Brungardt:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 112 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

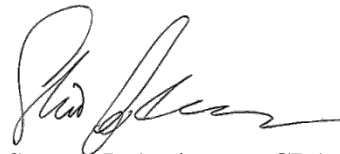
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 112 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 112 would require the board of county commissioners to appoint a land surveyor, and would have the official title county surveyor. The bill details the requirements for a person to be a county surveyor. The bill would allow the county surveyor to appoint deputy county surveyors. When a survey is performed that requires a new legal description or creates a new tract of land, a survey plat would be recorded with the register of deeds within the county and within 90 days after completion of the survey. The survey plat would be certified with the seal and signature of a land surveyor. The surveyor who signed and sealed the survey plat would be responsible for recording the survey.

The board by resolution could designate an alternate county office for filing survey plats for archive purposes, except for subdivision plats. The bill describes the requirements if an alternate location is used. The bill redefines what records a county surveyor would keep. Currently, a person can be fined up to \$100 and liable for damages if they threaten or interfere with a surveyor while performing their duties. Under SB 112, a person would be charged a class A nonperson misdemeanor and liable for damages for the same acts. The bill also redefines markers, flagmen, and rodmen as surveyor's assistants. The bill makes technical corrections and also makes other changes to the processes and procedures a surveyor performs. SB 112 provides more detail for the process of a subdivision plat or survey plat. Finally, the bill deletes information related to public works to be constructed.

According to the Kansas Association of Counties, passage of SB 112 would have no fiscal effect to counties.

Sincerely,



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