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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Garrett Love, Chairperson Senate Committee on Agriculture Statehouse, Room 237-E Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Love:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 380 by Senate Committee on Agriculture

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 380 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 380 would establish the Local Food and Farm Task Force. The Task Force would comprise 18 members including four legislators; the Secretary of Agriculture; one member each from the Department for Children and Families and the Department of Health and Environment; two members appointed by the Governor; two members from the College of Agriculture at Kansas State University; one member each from the Kansas Farm Bureau, the Kansas Rural Center, the Kansas Farmers Union, the Kansas Development Finance Authority, and the Kansas Small Business Development Center; and two members representing Kansas Farmers Markets.

The members would be appointed by August 1, 2014 and the first meeting would be held on or before September 1, 2014. Members of the Task Force would be reimbursed only for mileage. The staff of both the Kansas Department of Agriculture and the Kansas Legislative Research Department would provide assistance to the Task Force as needed. The Task Force would prepare a local food and farm plan that would include policy and funding recommendations. The plan would be submitted to both the House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Agriculture at the beginning of the 2016 Session of the Legislature.

The fiscal effect of SB 380 on the Kansas Department of Agriculture during FY 2015 would be limited to administrative and travel expenses, and the effect would be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 380 is not reflected in *The FY 2015 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

Jon Hummell, Interim Director of the Budget