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The Honorable Kyle Hoffman, Chairperson
House Committee on Agriculture
Statehouse, Room 481-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hoffman:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2100 by House Committee on Agriculture

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2100 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2100 would amend existing law to expand the areas in Kansas eligible to be water conservation areas. To provide greater flexibility in the management of water resources, the bill would alter the current requirement for management plans for water right owners and specify a number of limitations that would apply to management plans that allot water authorized by existing water rights. No management plan authorized under a water conservation area would be allowed to impair any water right. The Chief Engineer of the Kansas Department of Agriculture, Division of Water Resources, would be required to notify all water right owners with a point of diversion within 1/2 mile of the boundaries of the water conservation areas. The bill also would prohibit any water right associated with water conservation areas from being perfected.

According to the Kansas Department of Agriculture, passage of HB 2100 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn Sullivan", written over a horizontal line.

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Justin Law, Agriculture