

March 6, 2023

The Honorable Will Carpenter, Chairperson  
House Committee on Federal and State Affairs  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 346-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Carpenter:

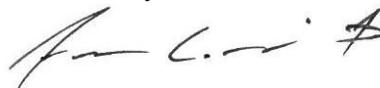
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2437 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2437 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2437 would update and clarify language in the Kansas Pet Animal Act. The bill would establish official procedures for premises to follow when ceasing specific licensed activity, allow licensees to designate a representative during premises inspections, and create penalties for noncompliance. Additionally, HB 2437 would allow the Animal Health Commissioner to enter into contracts with licensed animal shelters or rescue networks to care for seized pet animals. The bill would also require the Animal Health Commissioner to prepare an annual report of revenues received and expenditures made by the Animal Facilities Inspection program.

The Kansas Department of Agriculture indicates that HB 2437 would have a fiscal effect on agency operations due to the new administrative duties and the newly created penalties in the bill; however, the agency was unable to provide a specific estimate of this effect. The Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners indicates that enactment of this bill would not have a fiscal effect on agency operations. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2437 is not reflected in *The FY 2024 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Adam Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

cc: Kellen Liebsch, Department of Agriculture  
Mark Olson, Board of Veterinary Examiners