

February 11, 2026

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

Dear Representative Kessler:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2687 by Representative Roeser, et al.

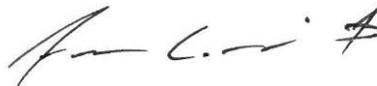
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2687 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2687 would prohibit any governmental agency that owns, controls or has jurisdiction over the state waters from restricting the operation of aquatic aircraft in areas where vessels are already permitted to operate. Specifically, no governmental agency could prohibit the takeoff, landing or operation of an aquatic aircraft on such waters or impose any regulations, permits or fees related to aquatic aircraft operations. The bill would also provide various definitions related to the bill.

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks indicates that enactment of HB 2687 would not have a fiscal effect on the agency. The bill would create safety issues which could deter individuals from boating and engaging in other recreational activities on state waters. There are also a variety of federal regulations that prohibit landing aircraft on reservoirs managed by federal agencies.

The Kansas Association of Counties did not report that enactment of HB 2687 would have a fiscal effect on counties but did state that the bill could affect counties if there are accidents or incidents that require county response due to the unsupervised and unregulated nature of these takeoffs and landings. The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates that enactment of HB 2687 would have no fiscal effect on cities.

Sincerely,



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