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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Michael Fagg, Chairperson Senate Committee on Utilities 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 548-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Fagg:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 173 by Senate Committee on Utilities

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 173 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 173 would amend current law to prevent leases and easements involved in commercial wind or solar electric generation resources from being effective until the Board of County Commissioners approves the project.

The Kansas Corporation Commission and the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board indicate that the enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on their operations. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 173 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities indicate that the enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on the operations of counties or cities.

Sincerely,

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Director of the Budget

cc: Lynn Retz, Kansas Corporation Commission Shonda Rabb, Citizens Utility Ratepayer Board Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties