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The Honorable Larry Alley, Chairperson Senate Committee on Commerce 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 159-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Alley:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 95 by Senator Haley

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 95 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 95 would authorize the Legislature to approve the creation of a port authority by the governing body of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas. The bill would also allow the Legislature to approve the creation of port authorities by enactment of a bill.

The Office of the Secretary of State indicates there would be a negligible fiscal effect on agency operations. However, the Office states that upon the creation of a port authority an election would be held concerning the issue of a tax levy. The Office states the bill does not specify when an election would take place. According to the Office, if a county conducts a stand-alone special election the cost would be approximately \$170,000 and if a county adds a question concerning the tax levy during an existing election, the cost would be approximately \$15,000.

The Kansas Association of Counties states the bill's enactment could have a fiscal effect on Kansas counties; however, the Association does not have enough information to estimate a fiscal effect. The League of Kansas Municipalities states the bill's enactment would not have a fiscal effect on Kansas cities.

Sincerely,

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Director of the Budget

cc: Tom Day, Legislative Services
Lynn Robinson, Department of Revenue
Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities
Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties
Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State