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The Honorable Mike Petersen, Chairperson Senate Committee on Transportation Statehouse, Room 345-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Petersen:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 245 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 245 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 245 would remove the requirement that plans for construction or repair of highway bridges and culverts with a cost in excess of \$200,000 are reviewed and approved by the State Transportation Engineer. The bill would also remove the requirement that plans for construction or repair of highway bridges or culverts with a cost of less than \$200,000 must be approved by the county engineer.

According to the Kansas Department of Transportation, passage of SB 245 would have no fiscal effect on agency operations since the counties did not provide any reimbursement for the review of their bridge and culvert plans. The Kansas Association of Counties indicates any fiscal effect upon counties would be negligible.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

Director of the Budget

cc: Ben Cleeves, Transportation Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties