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The Honorable Tom Sloan, Chairperson
House Committee on Water and Environment
Statehouse, Room 521-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Sloan:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2730 by House Committee on Water and Environment

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2730 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2730 would require the Division of Water Resources of the Kansas Department of Agriculture to commission a study on the impact that the use of groundwater has upon nearby streamflow and other surface water. The bill would require the study to be provided to the House Standing Committee on Water and Environment and the Senate Standing Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources on or before January 31, 2019.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2018 SGF	FY 2018 All Funds	FY 2019 SGF	FY 2019 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	--	\$700,000	\$700,000
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	--

The Kansas Department of Agriculture estimates that enactment of HB 2730 would result in expenditures of \$700,000 from the State General Fund in FY 2019. Initially, the agency would plan to spend \$200,000 to assemble and assess stream statistics and \$200,000 for a literature search to find the best hydrologic parameter in areas within which the agency does not currently have models, principally the state's alluvial valleys. Once this information is gathered, the agency would need to develop evaluation tools at an estimated cost of \$300,000. One such tool would use

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groundwater models where available, and the other would use an analytical method. Included within the total fiscal effect, is \$13,200 for the costs of staff time, which assumes 5.0 percent of two engineering associates' time and 2.5 percent of the Water Appropriations Program Manager's and Chief Engineer's time. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2730 is not reflected in *The FY 2019 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. Campbell".

Larry L. Campbell
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cc: Justin Law, Agriculture