

February 15, 2021

The Honorable Joe Seiwert, Chairperson
House Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications
Statehouse, Room 481B-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Seiwert:

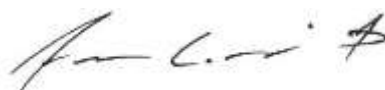
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2329 by House Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2329 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2329 would amend existing law which authorizes the Kansas Corporation Commission to adopt rules and regulations necessary to align state jurisdiction with the jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration (PHMSA) over intrastate natural gas pipelines. The bill would also amend the maximum civil penalty that can be imposed for violations of pipeline safety regulations and for violations of the Kansas Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act to more closely represent PHMSA maximum civil penalty levels.

According to the Kansas Corporation Commission, enactment of HB 2329 would result in increased revenue to the agency of approximately \$15,000 per year by aligning its penalty levels for violations of the Kansas Underground Utility Prevention Act more closely with PHMSA maximum civil penalties. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2329 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Jake Fisher, KCC