

January 24, 2025

The Honorable Sean Tarwater, Chairperson
House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 346-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Tarwater:

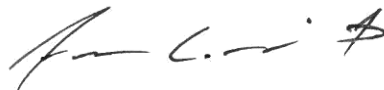
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2037 by House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2037 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2037 would increase the number of voting members of the Council on Travel and Tourism from 17 to 20 by increasing the Governor-appointed members from 11 to 14, including six members that would be appointed to represent the public and eight would be appointed to represent several organizations listed in the bill. The bill would also change references from the House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources to the House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development. In addition, the bill would decrease the percentage of moneys granted for promotion of tourism to public entities or not-for-profit entities from 75.0 percent to 50.0 percent. The bill would also make technical corrections.

The Department of Commerce is required to reimburse Council members for mileage expenses for meeting attendance. Any expenditures for reimbursement of the additional members would be absorbed within the agency's current resources.

Sincerely,



Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Sherry Rentfro, Department of Commerce