

February 16, 2025

The Honorable Ken Rahjes, Chairperson
House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 112-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Rahjes:

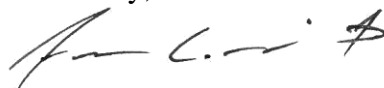
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2268 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2268 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2268 would prohibit nonresidents from hunting migratory waterfowl except on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays during the established hunting seasons. This restriction would apply to various Department lands and waters, as well as federal lands managed by the United States Army Corps of Engineers at specific reservoirs, Bureau of Reclamation reservoirs, and United States Fish and Wildlife Service refuges. The restriction would not apply to walk-in hunting access areas, interactive walk-in hunting access areas, Kansas navigable rivers, or during the conservation order for light geese season. Currently, a migratory waterfowl habitat stamp costs a maximum of \$8. The bill would set those stamps costs at a maximum of \$20 for residents and a maximum of \$100 for nonresidents. The bill would also remove the mussel fishing licenses and associated fees.

The Department of Wildlife and Parks states that enactment of the bill would increase revenues into its fee funds because the agency no longer sells mussel fishing licenses, and the bill would increase cost of the migratory waterfowl stamps. However, the agency cannot estimate a fiscal effect because it would need to promulgate the regulation that sets the fee amount of the stamps since the bill allows up to a maximum amount. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2268 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Martin DeBoer, Wildlife & Parks