

February 10, 2026

The Honorable Emil Bergquist, Chairperson
House Committee on Local Government
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 281-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Bergquist:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2622 by House Committee on Elections

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2622 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

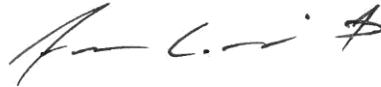
Currently, the Cash-Basis Law restrains municipalities from incurring future debts beyond the current fiscal year to prevent excessive debt for local governments. The Law describes the process for a municipality to enter into a lease-purchase agreement with various conditions. A petition protesting the agreement could be filed with the appropriate county election officer, if the petition is signed by not less than 5.0 percent of qualified voters of the municipality, as determined by the vote for the Secretary of State at the last general election. If a petition is filed with the required number of signatures, the agreement would not take effect unless approved by the majority of the qualified voters of the municipality voting at the election. HB 2622 would amend the protest petition requirements and reduce the number of signatures to 3.0 percent of qualified voters and remove language requiring the number of signatures to be determined by the vote for Secretary of State at the last general election.

The Secretary of State provides that HB 2622 would not have a fiscal effect. The Kansas Association of Counties states the lower threshold for the number of signatures could increase elections and associated costs for those elections to approve an agreement. Review of the petitions would also require staff time regardless of whether there is a subsequent election. However, the

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Association is unable to estimate the fiscal effect. The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates HB 2622 would have a negligible effect on cities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Jennifer Cook, Office of the Secretary of State
Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties
Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities