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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Michael Fagg, Chairperson Senate Committee on Utilities 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 548-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Fagg:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 167 by Senate Committee on Utilities

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 167 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 167 would prohibit electric public utilities from recovering from ratepayers the costs associated with electric vehicle charging stations and would require electric public utilities to establish electric vehicle charging service rate schedules. The bill would define pertinent terms and would exclude the use of electricity for retail sales for vehicle charges from the definition of retail electric service for end use. SB 167 would prohibit costs associated with building any charging station from being included in the rate base for retail electric supplies, like public utilities. The bill would prohibit a retail electric supplier from using revenue to subsidize investments in constructing charging stations. Instead, the bill would require electric charging stations owned by a utility to be constructed, installed, operated, owned, or maintained through a separate private enterprise.

The Kansas Corporation Commission indicates that the enactment of SB 167 would not have a fiscal effect on its operations. The Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board indicates that enactment of the bill would not affect expenditures or revenue, and potential workload increases would be absorbed into its approved budget. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 167 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

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The Kansas Association of Counties indicates that the bill, if enacted, could affect counties operating their own electric utilities. However, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated. The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on cities.

Sincerely,

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cc: Lynn Retz, Kansas Corporation Commission Shonda Rabb, Citizens Utility Ratepayer Board Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties