

February 17, 2012

The Honorable Larry Powell, Chairperson
House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources
Statehouse, Room 149-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Powell:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2724 by House Committee on Government Efficiency

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2724 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2724 would enact the Kansas One Map Act. The act would require the implementation of an overall Kansas Land and Geographic Resources Program through the use of a geographic information system, which would require cooperative methods for development and maintenance of spatial data between state and local governments in Kansas. The bill would establish the Geographic Information Systems Policy Board within the Department of Administration, which would consist of 21 members. The Geographic Information Systems Officer would appoint five representatives from local government, two representatives from the Board of Regents, two members representing the private sector, and two representatives from a relevant statewide business or professional association. The remaining ten members would be as follows:

1. The Director of the Kansas Office of Information Technology Services or a designee;
2. The Director of the Kansas Water Office or a designee;
3. The Director of the Kansas Biological Survey or a designee;
4. The Director of the Kansas Geological Survey or a designee;
5. The Director of the Kansas Historical Society or a designee;
6. The Secretary of the Kansas Department of Agriculture or a designee;
7. The Secretary of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment or a designee;
8. The Director of the Kansas Legislative Research Department or a designee;
9. The Secretary of the Kansas Department of Revenue or a designee; and
10. The Secretary of the Kansas Department of Transportation or a designee.

Members appointed by the State Geographic Information Officer would be appointed for a four-year term and until a successor is appointed. The remaining members of the Board would serve consistent with their terms of office, employment, or appointment. The State Geographic Information Officer would select a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among the members who would serve at the discretion of the State Geographic Information Officer. Board members would not receive compensation, subsistence allowance, mileage, or other associated expenses. The Board would have the following duties:

1. Establish public and private partnerships throughout Kansas to maximize value, minimize cost, and avoid redundant activities in the development and implementation of geographic information systems;
2. Foster efficient and secure methods for data sharing at all levels of government;
3. Coordinate, review, and provide recommendations on geographic information systems programs and investments and provide assistance with dispute resolution among geographic system partners;
4. Continue to establish Kansas' leadership role in the national effort to improve capabilities for sharing geographic information and ideas with other states;
5. Promote the use of geographic information systems technologies as tools to breakthrough structural and administrative boundaries to collaborate on shared problems and enhance information analysis and decision-making processes within all levels of government;
6. Would serve as a standing advisory committee to the Information Technology Executive Council and provide a copy of its annual report to the Council, as well as to the Governor and both houses of the Legislature; and
7. Would work jointly with officials from other state agencies, organizations, and county, municipal, and tribal governments, as well as with businesses and organizations in the private sector who are concerned with the efficient management of the state's geographic information system resources.

HB 2427 would establish the position of State Geographic Information Systems Officer who would be appointed by the Executive Chief Information Technology Officer and would serve in the Office of Information Technology Services. The Geographic Information Systems Officer would have the following responsibilities:

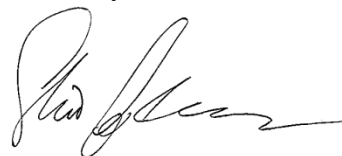
1. Implement Kansas One Map, an enterprise statewide mapping strategy that: supports Kansas state agencies and local governments as they foster economic vitality, manage resources, educate, save, and restore the natural environment, advance health initiatives, ensure public safety, and support science; and enables state agencies and local governments to better implement and coordinate policies and programs across Kansas;

2. Implement and maintain the Kansas data access and support center, an enterprise geospatial data clearinghouse to include a central store and catalog of Kansas data and mapping services available to all state entities and the public;
3. Recruit a Technical Committee and appoint the Technical Committee chair;
4. Provide oversight for the development of the Kansas One Map Program and monitor Kansas One Map metrics;
5. Establish and manage a Kansas One Map communications plan and provide for Kansas One Map education;
6. Maintain a liaison relationship with state, federal, regional, county, and municipal organizations;
7. Promote, advertise, and market applications, capabilities, benefits, and requests of the Kansas One Map Program;
8. Assist in the identification and capturing of funding to support the Kansas One Map Program; and
9. Adopt rules and regulations as necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

Funding for the Kansas data access and support center would be continued through the Office of Information Technology Services, and directed to the Kansas Geological Survey, which currently houses and supports this function.

The Department of Administration states the Office of Information Technology Services already contains funding for a Geographic Information Systems Officer for FY 2012 and FY 2013 and existing staff would support the Geographic Information Systems Policy Board. The League of Kansas Municipalities states it is unable to determine at this time what fiscal effect, if any, passage of HB 2724 would have to Kansas municipalities. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2724 is not reflected in *The FY 2013 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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