

March 5, 2013

The Honorable Joe Seiwert, Chairperson  
House Committee on Utilities and Telecommunications  
Statehouse, Room 521-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Seiwert:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2191 by House Committee on Utilities and Telecommunications

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2191 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2191 would amend current law regarding revenue distributions of utility cooperatives. The bill would authorize utility cooperatives or nonprofit membership corporations to retain a deceased member's paid patronage or contributed capital funds. If a member's legal executor or administrator requests the patronage funds or contributed capital be distributed, the cooperative or corporation would, upon the receipt of a death certificate, promptly refund the patronage or contributed capital funds without interest to the estate of the deceased.

Passage of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the Kansas Corporation Commission. The bill could have a fiscal effect on utility cooperatives, nonprofit corporations, and the estates of deceased members; however, it is unknown what that effect would be. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2191 is not reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Tom Day, KCC