

March 12, 2013

The Honorable Dennis Hedke, Chairperson
House Committee on Energy and Environment
Statehouse, Room 581-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hedke:

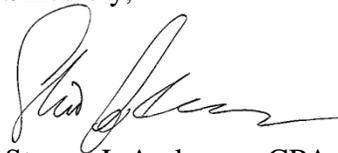
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2366 by House Committee on Energy and Environment

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2366 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2366 would prohibit the use of public funds by any state agency or municipality to promote, support or implement sustainable development. The prohibition would also apply to any federal or private grant, program or initiative. Nothing in the bill would be construed to prohibit the use of public funds outside of sustainable development. "Sustainable development" would be defined as a mode of human development in which resource use aims to meet human needs while preserving the environment so that these needs can be met not only in the present, but also for generations to come, but not to include the idea, principal or practice of conservation or conservationism.

Both the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the Kansas Corporation Commission indicate that enactment of HB 2366 would have no effect on agency revenue or expenditures, respectively. However, the bill could have an effect on sustainability projects at the local level. According to KDHE, the Kansas Association of Counties, and the League of Kansas Municipalities, the precise fiscal effect on local governments is unknown. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2366 is not reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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