

February 27, 2014

The Honorable Ralph Ostmeyer, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 136-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Ostmeyer:

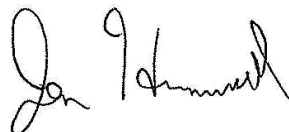
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 342 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 342 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 342 would expand the number of buildings that are fully exempt from rules on where concealed handguns can be carried. Currently, only buildings at the State Schools for the Deaf and Blind are the state or municipal buildings that do not have to comply with the law regulating carrying of concealed handguns. The bill would add public libraries, community centers, and community mental health centers. Currently, these building are required to exercise a four-year exemption from being required to either allow licensed conceal carry or have adequate security measures in place in order to restrict handguns.

SB 342 would have no fiscal effect on state government. However, the Kansas Associations of Counties notes that the bill would reduce costs for local governments that have buildings that fall within the new exemptions because local governments would not need to invest in the specified security measures for those buildings in order to prohibit concealed carry. The precise amount of the expenditure savings if SB 342 was implemented is not known.

Sincerely,



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