

February 2, 2016

The Honorable Les Donovan, Sr., Chairperson
Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation
Statehouse, Room 123-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Donovan:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 353 by Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 353 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 353 would exclude property owned by the federal government from needing an order from the Board of Tax Appeals to receive a property tax exemption. The property tax exemption would not apply to federal government property that the United States Congress has expressly declared to be subject to state and local taxation.

The Department of Revenue estimates that SB 353 would have no fiscal effect on state and local property tax revenues. The Board of Tax Appeal indicates that federal government is already exempted from paying filing fees for property tax exemption requests. The Board indicates that the bill would reduce staff time that is currently used to review property tax exemption requests from federal government; however, the savings are estimated to be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 353 is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Jack Smith, Department of Revenue
Jody Allen, Tax Appeals
Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties
Dale Dennis, Education
Larry Baer, League of Municipalities