

February 16, 2021

The Honorable Joe Seiwert, Chairperson
House Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications
Statehouse, Room 481B-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Seiwert:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2321 by Representatives Finney and Ellis

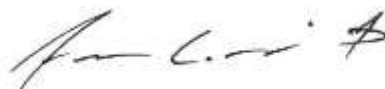
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2321 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2321 would prohibit an electric utility from beginning site preparation for or construction of an urban electric transmission line or from exercising the right of eminent domain to acquire an interest in land in connection with those actions before the utility has provided notice of preliminary plans to the city in which the line would be constructed. The bill specifies the requirements for the notice and authorizes the governing body of any city having a population of 300,000 or more to exercise zoning or siting jurisdiction over the line construction. The bill also defines “electric utility” and “urban electric transmission line.”

According to the Kansas Corporation Commission, enactment of HB 2321 would not result in additional expenditures or revenues for the agency.

According to the League of Kansas Municipalities, enactment of HB 2321 would have a negligible fiscal effect on the cities of Kansas.

Sincerely,



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