January 31, 2012

The Honorable Ralph Ostmeyer, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Natural Resources
Statehouse, Room 225-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Ostmeyer:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 316 by Senate Committee on Natural Resources

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 316 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 316 is a trailer bill to Executive Reorganization Order 36 issued by the Governor during the 2011 Legislative Session. The bill would implement in statute the duties and organization of the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism (KDWPT) as outlined in the ERO. It also contains provisions which would allow the agency to receive interest earnings on federal aid deposits to the State Treasury. In addition, the bill clarifies in statute the fund titles used by KDWPT since the transition to the SMART accounting system. The bill also updates current laws so that the agency name includes “Tourism” and makes a number of technical changes and corrections.

According to the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, passage of SB 316 would have no fiscal effect. The agency states that failure to pass the bill could result in the loss of federal aid. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 316 is not reflected in The FY 2013 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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cc: Chris Tymeson, Wildlife, Parks & Tourism