

January 31, 2018

The Honorable Tom Sloan, Chairperson
House Committee on Water and Environment
Statehouse, Room 521-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Sloan:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2564 by House Committee on Water and Environment

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2564 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2564 would allow the Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources to develop rules and regulations that authorize the Chief Engineer to order the removal of any end gun on a center pivot irrigation system and to prohibit any future use of an end gun in areas of the state that are fully appropriated, closed to new appropriations, or within the boundaries of a groundwater management district. The bill would also authorize a groundwater management district to recommend that the Chief Engineer develop these rules and regulations for any or all of its areas. The bill would prohibit a reduction in the authorized allocation of any vested or perfected appropriation right or under any permit to appropriate water.

The Kansas Department of Agriculture indicates that enactment of HB 2564 would have no fiscal effect on the agency.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Justin Law, Agriculture