February 27, 2019

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

Dear Representative Seiwert:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2110 by Representative Rhiley, et al.

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2110 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2110 would amend the No Call Act by adding text solicitation to controlled communications, making them subject to the same restrictions on solicitations that apply to telephone solicitation. The bill would also add restrictions to robocalling and prohibit manipulating caller ID, or making calls knowing caller ID has been manipulated, with the intent to defraud, cause harm or wrongfully obtain anything of value. The bill would include technical amendments.

The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) indicates HB 2110 could increase revenues from violations for no call penalties by up to $10,000 per violation. However, because of the nature of robocalls and fraudulent text message solicitations being largely originated from overseas call centers beyond its reach, the OAG estimates the increase would be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2110 is not reflected in The FY 2020 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc:  Willie Prescott, Office of the Attorney General