February 15, 2019

The Honorable Fred Patton, Chairperson
House Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 519-N
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Patton:

SUBJECT:    Fiscal Note for HB 2243 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2243 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2243 would amend existing law concerning charitable organizations that are exempt from registering with the Secretary of State to include any charitable organization that is an animal shelter as defined under the Kansas Pet Animal Act.

Under current law, charitable organizations that are required to register with the Secretary of State pay an annual registration fee of $35. Of this amount, $15 is retained by the Secretary of State’s Office and $20 is deposited into the State General Fund. The agency has identified approximately 75 registered charitable organizations that may meet the definition of an animal shelter under existing statute and would therefore be exempt from the registration requirement if HB 2243 is enacted. The agency estimates that this exemption would result in a permanent reduction in its revenues of approximately $1,125 annually and a reduction in SGF revenues of approximately $1,500 annually. Enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on agency expenditures.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc:  Bryan Caskey, Office of the Secretary of State