May 13, 2021

The Honorable Kellie Warren, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 441B-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Warren:

SUBJECT:  Fiscal Note for SB 300 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 300 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 300 would amend the Kansas Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act to clarify that “beneficial interest” in all cases means “the interest of a person.” In addition, to the definition of “covered person,” the bill adds a person who has engaged in or is engaging in identity theft or identity fraud as defined by statute. To the crimes defined as “racketeering activity,” the bill would add identity theft or identity fraud, recruiting criminal gang membership, and criminal gang intimidation. The bill would also make a number of technical corrections.

According to the Kansas Department of Corrections, enactment of SB 300 would have no fiscal effect on the Department. The Office of Judicial Administration indicates that enactment of SB 300 would not have a significant fiscal effect on the expenditures or revenues of the Judicial Branch. The Office of the Attorney General was unable to provide information regarding any fiscal effect enactment of this bill might have on the agency. The Kansas Sentencing Commission indicates enactment of the bill may have an effect on prison admissions and beds; however, the Commission cannot provide an estimate. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 300 is not reflected in The FY 2022 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc:  Debbie Thomas, Judiciary
     Randy Bowman, Corrections
     Scott Schultz, Sentencing Commission
     Willie Prescott, Office of the Attorney General