March 29, 2018

The Honorable Keith Esau, Chairperson
House Committee on Elections
Statehouse, Room 151-S
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Esau:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2675 by Representative Pittman

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2675 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2675 would require that the Secretary of State establish a fee of $0.10 per voter record on each state that participates in the Interstate Voter Registration Crosscheck Program. All amounts received would be deposited into the Cybersecurity Fund, created by the bill. Expenditures from this fund would be for security and upgrades to the system. In addition, the Secretary would be required to notify participating states only of high or medium probability of dual voter registration.

The Kansas Secretary of State has been contacted regarding the fiscal effect of HB 2675. At this time, the agency has not responded to the request for information. However, the Division of the Budget estimates that any additional responsibilities resulting from enactment of HB 2675 could be performed within existing budget resources. According to a report presented to the National Conference of State Legislators in June 2017, the estimated number of voter registration records contained within the Interstate Voter Registration Crosscheck Program is 98.0 million to 100.0 million. If this estimate is valid, enactment of this bill would result in revenues to the Cybersecurity Fund of $9.8 million to $10.0 million the first year the provisions of the bill are in place. If further information regarding the fiscal effect of the bill is received by the Division of the Budget, a revised fiscal note will be issued. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2675 is not reflected in The FY 2019 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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Chief Budget Officer

cc: Kathy Sachs, Office of the Secretary of State