January 26, 2017

The Honorable Jacob LaTurner, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 136-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator LaTurner:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 53 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 53 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the governing body or chief administrative officer of a state or municipal-owned medical care facility, a state or municipal-owned adult care home; a community mental health center; an indigent health care clinic; or a postsecondary education institutions may exempt any building or public area until July 1, 2017, from allowing concealed handguns in state or municipal buildings without adequate security measures. SB 53 would remove the sunset date of the exemption.

According to the Board of Regents, it is assumed postsecondary educational institutions would chose to continue current policies regarding carrying concealed handguns on campus, therefore, SB 53 would not have a fiscal effect on universities.

The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates that the bill would reduce costs for cities that were planning to adopt adequate security measures for certain buildings prior to the end of the exemption. However, the precise fiscal effect is unknown because the League does not currently possess data on all cities whose expenditures would be affected from the passage of the bill.

The Office of the Attorney General anticipates that it would receive an increase to the number of notices from state or municipal governing bodies or chief administrative officers seeking permanent exemptions. This would create an additional workload for Office employees;
however, it is estimated that it could be handled within existing staff. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 53 is not reflected in The FY 2018 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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