

February 2, 2021

The Honorable Blake Carpenter, Chairperson  
House Committee on Elections  
Statehouse, Room 149C-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Carpenter:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2163 by House Committee on Elections

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2163 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2163 would remove sections of the Campaign Finance Act that are no longer applicable because they are no longer in existence; are now unconstitutional and no longer enforced; or no longer permitted under a separate law. These sections specify:

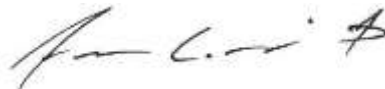
1. That the Secretary of State, with the assistance and advice of the Attorney General must prepare all forms necessary for a primary election;
2. That corporations and certain stockholders who make contributions or expenditures with regard to aiding, promoting, or preventing the nomination or election of a person to public office or to aid, promote or antagonize the interests of a political party shall comply with the Corrupt Practices provisions of the Act and establishes penalties for failing to do so;
3. The procedure for determining who may vote at a presidential primary election and how the vote will count, as well as the requirements for a candidates' name to be included on the ballot;
4. The requirements for the format, marking, and return of ballots, as well as how a canvass of the votes in the primary must be conducted and reported to the Secretary of State;
5. How election results are to be certified by the Secretary of State to the state chairperson of each political party in order that the party may select delegates and alternates to the national party convention; and

6. The means by which a board of county commissioners may recoup from the Secretary of State the necessary direct expenses incurred by the county in conducting a presidential preference primary election.

HB 2163 would repeal these provisions of the Campaign Finance Act.

The Secretary of State indicates that enactment of HB 2163 would have no fiscal effect on the agency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Proffitt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Adam Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

cc: Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State