

February 14, 2020

The Honorable Elaine Bowers, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government
Statehouse, Room 223A-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Bowers:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 412 by Senate Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 412 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law allows a person with a permanent disability or illness to make an application for permanent advance voting status. SB 412 would allow any registered voter to apply for this status. Application forms for permanent advance voting status would be required to clearly state that if the person who makes the application fails to vote in two consecutive elections or if the clerk receives notice that the mail of the person is undeliverable, the person would no longer have this status.

According to the Secretary of State, enactment of SB 412 would have no fiscal effect on agency operations. The Kansas Association of Counties reports that some savings might result from enactment of the bill from decreased staffing at polling places; however, the Association is unable to estimate what that savings might amount to.

Sincerely,



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cc: Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State