

February 5, 2025

The Honorable Pat Proctor, Chairperson
House Committee on Elections
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 218-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Proctor:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2016 by House Committee on Elections

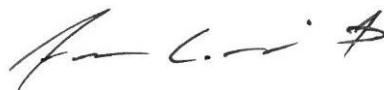
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2016 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Currently, a county election officer removes the name of a registered voter from the registration books and the party affiliation lists when an obituary notice appears in a local newspaper. HB 2016 would also require the county election officer to remove the name of a registered voter from the registration books and the party affiliation lists when a funeral home located in the county publishes an online obituary of such registered voter.

The Secretary of State indicates it would use existing resources to update training materials for local election officials and update educational and promotional materials for the public regarding the provisions of HB 2016. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2016 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates HB 2016 would have a fiscal effect associated with investigating the legitimacy of private obituaries which would increase the county election offices' workload.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties
Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State