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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 2056 by House Committee on Elections

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2056 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2056 would amend current procedures for accepting a nomination for an elected office by requiring the person listed on a certificate of nomination to submit a signed and notarized declaration stating that such person accepts the nomination of the party submitting the certificate for the designated office. A person could not be nominated until the person submits the declaration.

In addition, HB 2056 would prohibit a candidate for a different political party or as an independent for office at a general election from accepting more than one nomination for the same office unless prior to the filing deadline the person has declined a party nomination, withdrawn from candidacy after nomination, or withdrawn from a nomination. The bill would be enforced by the Secretary of State for all federal and state elected offices and by the appropriate county election officer for all county and township elected offices.

The Secretary of State provides that it would use existing resources to update training materials for local election officials and update educational and promotional materials for the public. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2056 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties enactment of HB 2056 would not have a fiscal effect on counties.

Sincerely,

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