

March 3, 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 2257 by Representative Ballard

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2257 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

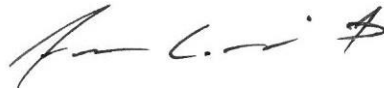
HB 2257 would enact the Interstate Compact on the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote. Any state and the District of Columbia could be a member of the agreement. The bill would allow each member state to conduct a statewide popular election for president and vice president of the United States. The bill would specify how each member state would appoint presidential electors. The agreement would take effect when states that cumulatively possess a majority of the electoral votes enact the agreement in substantially the same form and the enactments by the states have taken effect in each state. The bill would also include provisions for how a member state would notify other states that the agreement has been enacted in the member state and how a member state could withdraw from the agreement. The agreement would be terminated if the electoral college is abolished. The agreement would also be severable.

The bill would amend current election law to provide that electors would vote for president and vice president in accordance with the agreement. In addition, if the number of presidential electors nominated is less than or greater than the number of electoral votes for the state, presidential electors would be nominated in accordance with the agreement.

The Secretary of State indicates that it would use existing resources to update materials for the public regarding the election process. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2257 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties states HB 2257 could have a fiscal effect on the counties if the use of popular vote would result in more recounts and challenges; however, the Association is unable to estimate a precise fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", followed by a stylized flourish.

Adam C. Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

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