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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Mike Thompson, Chairperson Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 144-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Thompson:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 136 by Senator Holscher

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 136 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 136 would require treasurers of political committees that receive one or more contributions for independent expenditures to keep an account of any contributions received containing the name of the contributor and the total amount received. Accounts would be subject to an annual audit at a time determined by the Governmental Ethics Commission at the political committee's expense. The bill would limit contributions to a political committee for the purpose of making independent expenditures to \$5,000 per calendar year.

The Office of the Secretary of State indicates enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agency. Existing resources would be used to update training materials for local election offices. The Governmental Ethics Commission indicates enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on the agency. The Commission would have to amend forms and work with political committees to select an approved auditor, but any effect would be absorbed within existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 136 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Kaitlyn Bull-Stewart, Governmental Ethics Commission Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State