

February 10, 2011

The Honorable Terrie Huntington, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections  
Statehouse, Room 235-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Huntington:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 102 by Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 102 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 102 would raise the fees paid by candidates for state and local office, political action committees (PACs), and lobbyists to the Governmental Ethics Commission. The fees would increase as follows:

1. For candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, the fee would increase from \$480 to \$500;
2. For candidates for other state offices elected by statewide election, the fee would increase from \$480 to \$500;
3. For candidates for state senator, state representative, state board of education, district attorney, Board of Public Utilities of Kansas City, and elected county offices, the fee would increase from \$35 to \$50;
4. For members of boards of education of unified school districts having 35,000 or more pupils regularly enrolled in the preceding school year, members of governing bodies of cities of the first class and judges of the district court in judicial districts in which judges are elected, the fee would increase from \$35 to \$50;
5. For PACs anticipating the receipt of more than \$2,500 in any calendar year, the fee would increase from \$240 to \$720;
6. For PACs anticipating the receipt of more than \$500, but less than \$2,501 in any calendar year, the fee would increase from \$35 to \$105;
7. For PACs anticipating the receipt of \$500 or less in any calendar year, the fee would increase from \$20 to \$60;
8. For PACs that anticipated receiving less than \$2,500 and whose receipts exceeded \$2,500 in a calendar year, the fee would increase to the difference between \$720 and the amount of the fee paid instead of the difference between \$240 and the amount of the fee paid;

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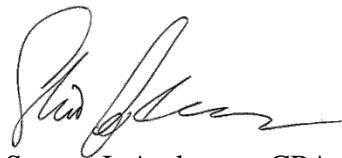
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9. For PACs that anticipated receipts of less than \$500 and whose receipts exceeded \$500, but less than \$2,500 in a calendar year, the additional fee would increase from \$20 to \$45;
10. For lobbyists who anticipate spending \$1,000 or less for lobbying in a registration year on behalf of one employer, the fee would increase from \$35 to \$105;
11. For lobbyists who anticipate spending \$1,000 or less in a registration year on the behalf of one employer, the fee would increase from \$35 to \$105;
12. For lobbyists who anticipate spending more than \$1,000 in a registration year on the behalf of one employer, the fee would increase from \$300 to \$900;
13. For lobbyists who anticipated spending less than \$1,000 and whose expenditures exceeded \$1,000 in a registration year on the behalf of one employer, the additional fee would increase from \$220 to \$795; and
14. For lobbyists registering as an employee of a lobbying group or firm and not an owner or partner, the fee would increase from \$360 to \$1,080.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2011 SGF	FY 2011 All Funds	FY 2012 SGF	FY 2012 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	\$251,230
Expenditure	--	--	--	--
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	--

The Governmental Ethics Commission estimates that SB 102 would increase revenue to the Governmental Ethics Commission Fee Fund by \$251,230 in FY 2012 and \$259,690 in FY 2013. The Governor's budget proposed for FY 2012 does anticipate a higher level of fee income, to allow for lower levels of State General Fund support. The Governor, however, anticipated raising fees on only political action committees and lobbyists.

Sincerely,



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cc: Carol Williams, Governmental Ethics