

February 9, 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 126 by Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 126 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 126 would prohibit any candidate for elected office to appear in, or allow the candidate's name to be used in, a public service announcement or advertisement within 60 days before any election in which the candidate's name is on the ballot when the public service announcement is paid for with public or private sector funds. Any person violating this provision could be subject to a civil fine of up to \$5,000 for the first offense, \$10,000 for the second offense, and \$15,000 for the third and subsequent offenses.

The Secretary of State and the Governmental Ethics Commission indicate that SB 126 would have no fiscal effect on state revenues or expenditures.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Carol Williams, Governmental Ethics
Christy Myers, Secretary of State's Office