

March 21, 2011

The Honorable Carolyn McGinn, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Statehouse, Room 545-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator McGinn:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 240 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 240 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 240 would abolish the Joint Committee on Information Technology (JCIT) and would create the Committee on Technology Oversight. The committee would comprise seven members, with four legislative members and three non-legislative leaders of the information technology industry. Of the four legislative members, one would be appointed by the President of the Senate, one would be appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate, one would be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and one would be appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives. Of the three non-legislative members, one would be appointed by the President of the Senate, one would be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and one would be appointed by the Governor.

All members would serve for terms ending on the first day of the regular legislative session in odd-numbered years. Each member of the committee would be paid compensation, subsistence allowances, mileage and other allowed expenses from appropriations to the Legislature.

The committee would study the use of state agency information technology (IT), review and make recommendations on state agency IT proposals, study and monitor progress of IT projects, and file reports on the progress of IT projects. In addition, certain statutory references regarding JCIT would be changed to the Committee on Technology Oversight. The bill would take effect upon publication in the statute book.

According to the Legislative Administrative Services (LAS), the current average cost per member of a 2-day meeting for JCIT is \$566, including \$125 for mileage and \$441 for per diem and subsistence expenditures. With the current membership of ten legislators, each two-day meeting currently costs \$5,660, all from the State General Fund. With the enactment of SB 240, the state would have to pay the expenses of only seven members, with a corresponding budget savings of \$1,698 for each meeting, compared to the current composition of JCIT. The total

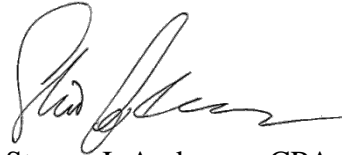
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amount of savings would depend on the number of meetings that would be held. Legislative Administrative Services notes the following history of JCIT meetings: in calendar year 2007, seven meetings for a total 11 days; in calendar year 2009 five meetings for a total of nine days; and in calendar year 2010, one two-day meeting was held. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 240 is not reflected in *The FY 2012 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven J. Anderson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Steven J. Anderson, CPA, MBA
Director of the Budget

cc: Jeff Russell, Legislative Services
Pat Higgins, Administration