

February 8, 2011

The Honorable Tim Owens, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Judiciary  
Statehouse, Room 559-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Owens:

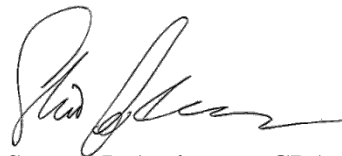
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 46 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 46 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, clerks are required to keep papers for each case filed carefully enveloped in a wrapper or folder, with the clerks initialing the time and date stamps. With HB 46 the clerk would only record the date and time receipt of all filings. The bill would also clarify that the Supreme Court, rather than the Chief Judge of a judicial district, would issue an order stating when records and information would be maintained in a computer information storage and retrieval system, rather than in dockets and journals.

SB 46 would allow the Judicial Branch to implement electronic filings. Funding of \$1,866,000 from the State General Fund for the e-filing project is included the Judiciary's budget request for FY 2012. A precise statement of the long-term fiscal effect of e-filing cannot be determined.

Sincerely,



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cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary