

February 19, 2013

The Honorable Pete DeGraaf, Chairperson
House Committee on General Government Budget
Statehouse, Room 459-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative DeGraaf:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2216 by House Committee on General Government Budget

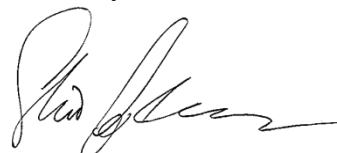
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2216 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2216 would eliminate the following joint legislative committees: Arts and Cultural Resources, Children's Issues; Corrections and Juvenile Justice; Economic Development; Energy and Environmental Policy; Health Policy Oversight; Home and Community Based Services; Pensions, Investments and Benefits; and the KPERS Study Commission. In addition, the Joint Committee on Special Claims against the State would be reduced from 13 members to seven.

According to the Office of Legislative Administrative Services, the Legislature spent \$35,331, all from the State General Fund, during the 2012 Interim on costs associated with the above joint legislative committees. During the 2011 Interim, \$81,779 was spent on joint legislative committee costs. Enactment of HB 2216 would reduce State General Fund expenditures for the Legislature. However, the amount of savings would depend on the number of meetings and members attending.

In addition, the Office reports that the costs for the Joint Committee on Special Claims against the State totaled \$8,050 during the 2012 Interim and \$12,473 for the 2011 Interim. If the number of members would have been reduced by six during each of these years, the costs would have been \$4,335 during the 2012 Interim and \$6,716 during the 2011 Interim. However, the amount of savings as a result from the enactment of HB 2216 would depend on the number of meetings and members attending. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2216 is not reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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cc: Jeff Russell, LAS