

February 7, 2014

The Honorable Jeff King, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 341-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator King:

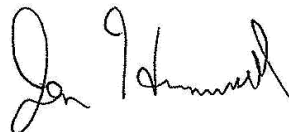
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 303 by Senator Faust-Goudeau, et al.

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 303 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 303 would amend existing law concerning the disposition and forfeiture of weapons seized in connection with criminal use, carrying, possession, or discharge of a firearm, or an aggravated weapons violation by a convicted felon. Current law directs that when a confiscated weapon is no longer needed for evidence in the criminal actions identified in the statute, the trial court may authorize forfeiture of the weapon to specified agencies. SB 303 would expand the list of agencies to include the Sedgwick County Regional Forensic Science Center (SCRFSC), where the weapon could be used for testing, comparison, and other forensic science purposes. The bill would also allow firearms forfeited under the Kansas Standard Asset Seizure and Forfeiture Act to be given to the SCRFSC.

According to the Office of Judicial Administration and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, passage of SB 303 would have no fiscal effect. According to the Kansas Association of Counties, passage of SB 303 would have no fiscal effect on the counties.

Sincerely,



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