

February 12, 2014

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

Dear Senator King:

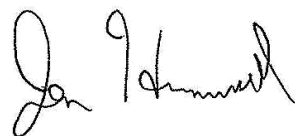
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 348 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 348 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 348 provides new requirements for sheriffs before they take office. Those include: having no felony conviction or domestic violence conviction; having a high school diploma or an equivalent as defined by the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training; possessing a full-time law enforcement certification; if there is no current certification, taking a written competency test and firearms proficiency qualification course; or completing basic training. In addition, the salary of the newly elected sheriffs in training would be changed from that equal to a deputy to a salary equal to an existing sheriff.

The Kansas Association of Counties notes that counties would have to pay the increased salary for elected sheriffs who would be required to attend training. However, the actual cost to the counties cannot be determined. SB 348 would have no fiscal effect on the state.

Sincerely,



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Interim Director of the Budget

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