

February 17, 2015

The Honorable Mark Kahrs, Chairperson
House Committee on Elections
Statehouse, Room 286-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Kahrs:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2173 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2173 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2173 would amend the Campaign Finance Act to bring retention elections for justices of the Supreme Court and judges of the Court of Appeals under the Act. The bill would place a contribution limitation of \$2,000 for the justices and judges in each general election in which their names are on the ballots for retention. If an affidavit of exemption was filed, the justice or judge would not be required to appoint or maintain a treasurer.

According to the Governmental Ethics Commission, passage of HB 2173 would have no fiscal effect on the agency budget.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Carol Williams, Governmental Ethics
Mary Rinehart, Judiciary