

March 2, 2015

The Honorable Ronald Highland, Chairperson
House Committee on Education
Statehouse, Room 561-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Highland:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2345 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2345 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2345 would make a person who has a conflict of interest ineligible for election or appointment to a local or state school board. The bill defines "conflict of interest" to apply to a person who:

1. Has a substantial interest in any business that works directly with or provides services to the state or the district in which the person resides; or
2. Holds a position of administrator, teacher or employee of a district or the State Department of Education; or
3. Has a spouse, sibling or parent who is an employee of a district or the State Department of Education.

The bill defines "substantial interest" and places limitations on how much money can be received and not considered a conflict of interest.

According to the Kansas Department of Education and the Governmental Ethics Commission, passage of HB 2345 would have no fiscal effect on either of the agencies' budgets. According to the Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities, passage of HB 2345 would have no fiscal effect on Kansas counties or cities.

Sincerely,



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