

February 12, 2016

The Honorable Joe Seiwert, Chairperson  
House Committee on Utilities and Telecommunications  
Statehouse, Room 481-W  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Seiwert:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2478 by Representative Sloan

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2478 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2478 would create the Public Safety Prepaid Wireless Communications Device Committee. The committee would examine the public safety implications of prepaid wireless devices being used in criminal activities and would recommend legislation to address any issues which may arise. The committee would consist of ten members to be appointed by the Governor. The Director of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) would serve as chairperson of the committee. The committee would be made up of the following members:

1. One law enforcement officer from the chiefs of police;
2. One sheriff;
3. One representative from the Kansas County and District Attorneys Organization;
4. Three representatives from wireless communication providers;
5. One representative from the Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association of Kansas; and
6. Two representatives from retail stores that sell prepaid devices in Kansas.

The chairperson could invite other interested national law enforcement organizations, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Communications Commission, and the Federal Trade Commission, to participate as non-voting members.

The committee would provide a report to the 2017 Legislature with recommendations. Committee members would receive subsistence allowances and mileage. Staff from the Kansas Legislative Research Department, the Office of the Revisor of Statutes, and Legislative Administrative Services (LAS) would provide assistance as requested by the committee.

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LAS states that the Director of the KBI, as a salaried state employee, would not be reimbursed. The agency estimates that if the other remaining members of the committee were not salaried state employees, then they would be entitled to reimbursement. Assuming four meetings were approved by the Legislative Coordinating Council, LAS estimates enactment of HB 2478 would result in additional expenditures of \$2,925 per meeting for a total of \$11,700 from the State General Fund in FY 2017. Of the total amount, \$5,040 would be for subsistence (9 members x \$140 x 4 meetings); \$4,860 for mileage (9 members x 250 miles x \$.54 x 4 meetings); and \$1,800 for miscellaneous expenses (9 members x \$50 x 4 meetings). Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2478 is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn Sullivan", written over a horizontal line.

Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research  
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