

March 2, 2016

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

Dear Senator King:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 397 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 397 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 397 would exclude the following records from exemptions to Kansas Open Records Act:

1. Applications of persons seeking to fill vacant elected offices appointed by the Governor; or,
2. Applications of persons seeking to fill vacant judicial officers which are subject to retention elections and who are appointed by the Governor.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates that the bill would require the Supreme Court Nominating Commission to provide the appropriate documents upon an Open Records Request. However, the Office believes that the fiscal effect would be negligible. The Office of the Attorney General states that the bill would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Willie Prescott, Attorney General's Office  
Desiree Taliaferro, Secretary of State's Office  
Ashley Michaelis, Judiciary