

February 13, 2017

CORRECTED

The Honorable Keith Esau, Chairperson  
House Committee on Elections  
Statehouse, Room 151-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Esau:

SUBJECT: Corrected Fiscal Note for HB 2011 by Representative Esau

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following corrected fiscal note concerning HB 2011 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2011 would amend existing law concerning campaign contributions to allow a candidate to receive contributions for the general election during the primary election period. These contributions could not be spent in the primary election period, and if the candidate then did not run for a general election, the contributions would be returned to the contributors.

The bill would also raise the contribution limitation for all candidates under the Campaign Finance Act. Statewide candidate contributions would be raised from \$2,000 to \$4,000 per primary and general election. State Senate and school board contributions would be raised from \$1,000 to \$2,500, and all other state and local candidates would see their limitation raised from \$500 to \$1,000 per election period. The limitation for any county candidate who has a district population of more than 75,000 would be raised to \$2,500 per election period. In addition, the aggregate amounts that could be contributed to state and national party and political committees would be doubled, as would the amounts that could be contributed by these groups to state and local candidates and committees.

The Governmental Ethics Commission indicates that passage of HB 2011 would have no fiscal effect on the agency or the state budget.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Carol Williams, Governmental Ethics