

February 17, 2020

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

Dear Representative Seiwert:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2620 by House Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications

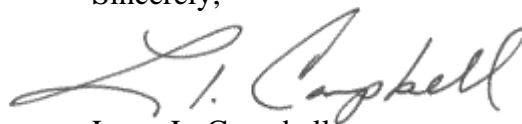
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2620 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2620 would prohibit a person or entity from offering spoofing technology for downloading, purchasing, or using. The bill would define “spoofing technology” as any application, software, or technology that is used to knowingly cause a caller identification service to transmit false or misleading caller identification information with the intent to defraud, harass, cause harm, or wrongfully obtain anything of value. The bill would not apply in certain instances detailed in the bill. Any person or entity who engages in spoofing would be subject to the Kansas Consumer Protection Act.

The Office of the Attorney General states that violations of the bill could result in no call penalties in an amount up to \$10,000 per violation. However, the Office indicates that most robocalls and fraudulent text message solicitations originate from overseas call centers, which are beyond the Office’s purview. Therefore, it does not anticipate that the passage of the bill would result in a significant increase in its ability to bring enforcement actions against such violators. Therefore, any effect from the enactment of the bill would be absorbed within existing resources.

The Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities both state that HB 2620 would have no fiscal effect. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2620 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor’s Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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