

February 17, 2020

The Honorable Elaine Bowers, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government
Statehouse, Room 223A-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Bowers:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 351 by Senate Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 351 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 351 would allow a person who has not registered to vote and whose name does not appear in the polling book to vote a provisional ballot as long as the individual completes the application for registration and is otherwise qualified to vote. The voter's provisional ballot would be counted unless the county board of canvassers determines the ballot was not properly cast or the voter has otherwise voted.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates SB 351 would create additional costs for counties; however, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated. The Secretary of State indicates the costs associated with SB 351 to update training and informational material would be negligible and could be absorbed within existing resources.

Sincerely,



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cc: Trey Cocking, League of Municipalities
Jay Hall, Association of Counties
Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State