

January 27, 2020

The Honorable Bud Estes, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 136-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Estes:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 254 by Senator Denning

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 254 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the Secretary of State is required to fix a per volume price by rules and regulations for copies of the *Session Laws of Kansas*, the *Kansas Register*, and the *Kansas Administrative Regulations* in order to recover the costs of printing, binding and storing the volumes. Under the provisions of SB 254, the agency could set the per volume price without establishing rules and regulations, and that price would apply whether the volumes were published in print or electronic form. The bill would update existing statutes regarding the publication of these documents to align with current practices and procedures and includes the option for amendments to the Kansas Constitution to be published in a paper of general circulation in each Kansas county.

Currently, the Secretary is required to furnish to the state printer a copy of all acts, resolutions and other matters which are required to be published in the *Session Laws of Kansas* within 20 days after the *sine die* adjournment of the Legislature in odd-numbered years and within 40 days after the *sine die* adjournment in even-numbered years. SB 254 would abolish those requirements and instead require submission and printing of at least a limited number of each volume in order for publication to take place on or before July 1 of each year. The bill would make a number of changes to requirements for distribution of these publications and allow the *Kansas Register* to be published in print or electronic form.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2020 SGF	FY 2020 All Funds	FY 2021 SGF	FY 2021 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	(\$34,078)	--	(\$35,220)
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	--

According to the Secretary of State, a full set of the *Kansas Administrative Regulations* has not been published since 2009. The agency is currently drafting a complete set for publication and release in late calendar year 2020. Based on the pricing established under current rules and regulations, the agency expects the costs, which were built into the FY 2020 and FY 2021 agency budgets, to exceed revenue by \$34,078 in FY 2020 and \$35,220 in FY 2021. Enactment of SB 254 would enable the agency to increase the pricing to offset current costs and would result in a reduction to agency expenditures by those amounts in each fiscal year. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 254 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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