

February 7, 2024

The Honorable Barbara Wasinger, Chairperson  
House Committee on Legislative Modernization  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 218-N  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Wasinger:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2615 by House Committee on Elections

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2615 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

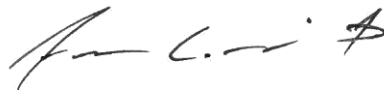
HB 2615 would remove state printer from timeline requirements for printing *Session Laws of Kansas*. The Secretary of the State would be responsible for printing and delivering of the *Session Laws*. The bill would also allow statewide elected officials and legislators to receive statute books and supplements upon request. In addition, the Secretary of State would no longer dispose of copies of cumulative supplements, but instead it would be responsible for distribution of the supplements. The Secretary of State would be responsible for maintaining a searchable database of all current Kansas Administrative Regulations. The State Rules and Regulations Board would no longer be responsible for determining the rules and regulations to be published in the Kansas Administrative Regulations and in the annual supplement to such regulations. The Secretary of State would also be authorized to set prices for selling the Kansas Administrative Regulations.

The Secretary of State indicates HB 2615 would decrease its expenditures by \$48,000 from fees funds in FY 2025 and \$50,500 in FY 2026 since the agency would cease printing the Kansas Administrative Regulations and provide them electronically. The decreased expenditures would be for printing and storage of the regulations as well as postage for mailing them. The agency also estimates that enactment of HB 2615 would reduce revenues to the agency's Information Services Fee Fund by \$35,000 in FY 2025 and \$37,500 in FY 2026 because the agency would no longer be charging for providing hard copies of the regulations. Under the bill, the agency would choose to provide the regulations electronically. The Office of Revisor of Statutes indicates that enactment

of HB 2615 would reduce agency expenditures by \$10,000 from the State General Fund. The Office of Attorney General indicates HB 2615 would not have a fiscal effect on agency operations.

The Department of Administration indicates fee fund revenues from printing the *Session Laws of Kansas* would be eliminated, as the state printer would no longer be responsible for printing the *Session Laws*. The agency estimates fee fund revenues would decrease by \$300,000 in FY 2025, and \$300,000 in FY 2026. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2615 is not reflected in *The FY 2025 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Adam C. Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

cc: Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes  
William Hendrix, Office of the Attorney General  
Tamara Emery, Department of Administration  
Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State