

February 11, 2011

The Honorable Mike Burgess, Chairperson  
House Committee on Government Efficiency  
Statehouse, Room 151-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Burgess:

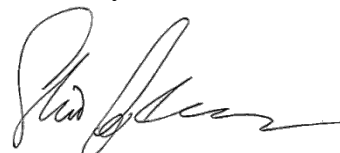
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2120 by House Committee on Government Efficiency

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2120 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2120 would establish the Kansas Streamlining Government Act, which would have the purpose of improving the performance, efficiency, and operations of state government by reviewing state agencies, programs, boards, and commissions. The Act would create the Kansas Streamlining Government Commission, which would be composed of seven members including six members appointed by the leadership of the Legislature and one member appointed by the Governor. However, the members appointed may not hold any paid office or position within local, state, or federal government; be a party to any local or state government contract; or be lobbyists. Members would receive subsistence allowances, mileage, and other expenses equal to rates received by members of the Legislature. All activities of the Commission would receive support from legislative staff as authorized by the Legislative Coordinating Council. Upon completion of its review of state government, the Commission would be required to submit reports to the Governor and Legislature on or before September 1, 2011, December 31, 2011, September 1, 2012, and December 31, 2012. The Commission would then be abolished on December 31, 2012. Finally, the bill would amend the Kansas Whistleblower Act to accommodate the actions of the new Commission.

According to the Legislature, passage of HB 2120 would require additional funds for commission meeting expenses; however, because the number of meetings that would be held is unknown, the total cost cannot be precisely determined. It is estimated that each two-day meeting would cost \$3,543, which would include \$2,775 for subsistence, mileage, and other expenses for the seven members and \$768 for an administrative assistant to staff and prepare minutes for the meeting. If it is assumed that the Commission would meet quarterly until the end of 2012, the total cost would be \$21,258 (six two-day meetings X \$3,543). Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2120 is not reflected in *The FY 2012 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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cc: Jeff Russell, Legislative Services