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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Steve Brunk, Chairperson House Committee on Federal and State Affairs Statehouse, Room 285-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Brunk:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2554 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2554 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2554 would repeal the prohibition on marriage between two persons of the same gender.

The Department of Revenue states that HB 2554 could have a negligible effect on State General Fund revenues. However, no information is available to estimate the number of taxpayers who would be affected, so an estimate of the fiscal effect cannot be made. The Office of Judicial Administration states that the provisions of this bill could be challenged in the district and appellate courts. However, it is not possible to predict the number of additional court cases that would arise or how complex and time-consuming they would be. Therefore, a precise fiscal effect cannot be determined. In any case, the fiscal effect would most likely be accommodated within the existing schedule of court cases and would not require additional resources. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2554 is not reflected in *The FY 2015 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

Jon Hummell.

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cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary Steve Neske, Department of Revenue Willie Prescott, Attorney General's Office