

January 23, 2013

The Honorable Dennis Pyle, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ethics, Elections and Local Government
Statehouse, Room 234-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Pyle:


SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 38 by Senator Schmidt

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 38 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, if an advance voter mails his or her completed ballot, but dies before ballots are counted, the ballot remains sealed and made "provisional." When a ballot is made "provisional" it is presented to the board of county canvassers for a determination as to whether or not the vote counts. Under SB 38, when an advance voter has died before the election, the vote would still be counted unless other grounds exist for rejecting the ballot.

The Office of the Secretary of State indicates that SB 38 would have no fiscal effect on state revenues or expenditures.

Sincerely,



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cc: Rachel Sciolaro, Secretary of State's Office