

February 16, 2015

The Honorable Mark Kahrs, Chairperson  
House Committee on Elections  
Statehouse, Room 286-N  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Kahrs:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2213 by House Committee on Elections

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2213 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law prohibits a candidate from accepting both a primary and a general election contribution from the same source in the primary election period. HB 2213 would amend the law to allow a candidate to accept both a primary and a general election contribution during the primary election period from any person other than the candidate and the candidate's party. If for any reason the candidate does not run in a general election, the general election contributions must be returned to the donors.

The bill would also raise the contribution limitation for all candidates. Statewide candidate contributions would be increased from \$2,000 to \$4,000 per primary and general election. State Senate and State School Board contributions would be raised from \$1,000 to \$2,500. All other candidates governed by the Campaign Finance Act would have their contribution limits raised from \$500 to \$1,000 per election period.

According to the Governmental Ethics Commission, passage of HB 2213 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Carol Williams, Governmental Ethics