

January 30, 2017

The Honorable Keith Esau, Chairperson  
House Committee on Elections  
Statehouse, Room 151-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Esau:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2155 by Representative Ward

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2155 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law prohibits an individual from lobbying in his or her own state agency if the person accepts compensation for the lobbying. HB 2155 would create the Kansas Integrity in Government Act which would prohibit an individual from lobbying or being employed as a lobbyist within one year of the date of that person's resignation from a term of any state elected office to which the individual was elected or appointed. In addition, the prohibition would apply to an individual's term of office or employment in an executive capacity as an agency or department head or senior level staff person to which the person was appointed by a state elected official. The bill defines "elected state office or elected state official" as the governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Commissioner of Insurance, and members of the Legislature.

According to the Kansas Governmental Ethics Commission, passage of HB 2155 would result in costs for implementing the rules or regulations associated with the bill and those costs could be paid for from within existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2155 is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Carol Williams, Governmental Ethics