

February 1, 2013

The Honorable Jeff King, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 341-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator King:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 66 by Senator Smith

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 66 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 66 would require county and district attorneys to publish a monthly report of all criminal actions and proceedings and juvenile offender proceedings, in a manner that is accessible to the public. The report would include the following information:

1. The total number of all cases charged by the county or district attorney's office;
2. The total number of filed criminal cases organized according to felony and misdemeanor status and a list designating the specific charges filed and the disposition of each case, whether it resulted in a dismissal, plea bargain agreement, or conviction; and
3. The total number of proceeding filed concerning juvenile offenders and a list designating the specific offenses which, if committed by an adult, would constitute the commission of a felony or misdemeanor, and the disposition of each proceeding, whether it resulted in a dismissal, plea bargain agreement, or conviction.

The report must be filed with the Office of the Attorney General, considered an open record, and posted on the AG's official website.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2013 SGF	FY 2013 All Funds	FY 2014 SGF	FY 2014 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	--	--	\$1,000
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	--

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The Attorney General reports that the cost of setting up a process for submission of reports from county and district attorneys could be absorbed in its budget. The development of the website would have to be outsourced to the Office of Information Technology Services at a cost of approximately \$1,000. Ongoing monthly costs would vary, depending on the method by which the reports are submitted. If reports were all submitted in a uniform, electronic format to the Attorney General's Office, the required staff time would be negligible. However, if reports are submitted in another format, additional staff may be needed for data entry and standardization to present information in a usable format. Also, additional server storage space may be needed in the future to host all of the reports online. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 66 is not reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*.

All 105 county and district attorneys would incur costs associated with compiling and transmitting their reports to the Attorney General and maintaining the reports locally to comply with the open records act. A precise fiscal effect on the counties is not available.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven J. Anderson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Director of the Budget

cc: Willie Prescott, Attorney General's Office
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