

February 23, 2017

The Honorable Kristey Williams, Chairperson
House Committee on Local Government
Statehouse, Room 165-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Williams:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2248 by House Committee on Local Government

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2248 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2248 would permit a consumer who is the purchaser, lessee or recipient of a unit in a common interest community to file a complaint with the Division of Consumer Protection in the Office of the Attorney General if the consumer believes that the board of directors or the property manager of the common interest community has violated the rights of the consumer under the Kansas Uniform Common Interest Owners Bill of Rights Act.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2018 SGF	FY 2018 All Funds	FY 2019 SGF	FY 2019 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	\$173,739	\$173,739	\$167,849	\$167,849
FTE Pos.	--	2.00	--	2.00

The Office of the Attorney General estimates that HB 2248 would require additional expenditures of \$173,739 from the State General Fund in FY 2018. Of this amount, \$145,535 would be for the salaries and wages costs of 1.00 Assistant Attorney General FTE position (\$89,511) and 1.00 Investigator FTE position (\$56,024). The remaining \$28,204 would be for associated operating expenses including \$9,625 for office rent, \$2,500 for office furniture, \$4,620 for travel, \$3,390 for IT purchases; \$4,444 for IT services, \$525 for professional licensing and publications, \$2,500 for training, and \$600 for office supplies. Total expenditures

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for FY 2019 are estimated to be \$167,849 from the State General Fund and exclude expenses for IT purchases and office furniture.

The Office notes that it may be able to recover investigative fees and civil penalties permissible under the Consumer Protection Act. However, the dollar effect on revenues is unknown because the number of cases that may occur as a result of the bill cannot be estimated. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2248 is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn Sullivan", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Willie Prescott, Office of the Attorney General