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February 28, 2018

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 2627 by House Committee on Local Government

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2627 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law prohibits cities and towns from regulating or prohibiting the placement or number of political signs on private property or the unpaved right of way on a city street or county road on private property during the 45-day period before an election and the two-day period following an election. HB 2627 would amend the law to refer to “temporary” rather than “political” signs and would prohibit these signs from being placed on private property without the property owner’s permission. The bill specifies that the unpaved right-of-way is the easement that the private property is subject to and would give cities and counties the ability to regulate temporary signs during the specified time periods and locations in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the cities and counties. The bill cannot be understood to authorize the placement of temporary signs on any property, including, but not limited to, roadway medians owned by a governmental entity.

According to the Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities, enactment of HB 2627 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "L. Campbell".

Larry L. Campbell
Chief Budget Officer

cc: Chardae Caine, League of Municipalities
Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties