

February 23, 2017

The Honorable Jacob LaTurner, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs  
Statehouse, Room 136-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator LaTurner:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 201 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 201 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 201 would add members of the military to the list of individuals who are defined as “protected consumers” under the Kansas Consumer Protection Act.

The Office of the Attorney General indicates that expanding the list of protected consumers may result in an increase in the number of complaints filed with the agency, which would increase expenses in the form of additional staff time. The bill may also result in additional revenues from recoveries. Under current law, a person who is found to be in violation of the Kansas Consumer Protection Act against a protected consumer may face civil penalties of up to \$10,000 per violation. However, the fiscal effect is unknown because the Office is unable to estimate the number of additional complaints that may be filed with the agency. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 201 is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor’s Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Willie Prescott, Office of the Attorney General