January 23, 2020

The Honorable Rick Wilborn, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 541C-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Wilborn:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 253 by Senator Denning

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 253 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 253 would amend existing law concerning service of process to an individual who causes a vehicle accident in Kansas but does not maintain a Kansas license by establishing the procedures to allow a plaintiff to serve a defendant through the Secretary of State or through an adult person not a party to the suit or an officer duly qualified to serve legal process in the state or jurisdiction where the defendant is found. The bill would also amend the service of process statute for business entities to include limited liability partnerships. The bill also makes a number of technical corrections.

According to the Secretary of State, enactment of SB 253 would cause an increase in revenue from fees received from individuals choosing to use the agency for service of process. However, the agency is unable to estimate how many individuals would do so. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 253 is not reflected in The FY 2021 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc:  Mary Rinehart, Judiciary
     Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State