March 4, 2019

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

Dear Senator Estes:

SUBJECT:  Fiscal Note for SB 203 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 203 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 203 would establish Legislative requirements for the introduction of bills, responsibilities of committee chairs, and information included or excluded from printed bills. The bill would require that all bills introduced and sponsored by a standing committee of the Legislature be requested for introduction by an individual Legislative member. The bill would require all committee chairpersons to keep minutes of meetings and the minutes would be required to state the Legislative member who requested the bill for introduction. Bills sponsored by a standing committee would be required to have the name of the member who requested the bill.

In addition, the bill would require that when a substitute bill is recommended, or when amendments to a bill strike all but the enacting clause of the bill, the printed version of the bill would contain the name of the Legislative committee that recommended the substitute or amendments. In addition, SB 203 would remove the original sponsoring Legislative committee and any member’s name who requested the original bill’s introduction.

Legislative Administrative Services indicates the enactment of SB 203 would require minor changes to the Kansas Legislative Information Systems and Services (KLISS) applications; however, the fiscal effect is estimated to be negligible. LAS indicates that the KLISS application changes would be performed by the agency’s staff and within existing appropriations.

Sincerely,

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cc:  Karen Clowers, Legislative Services