March 9, 2012

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

Dear Senator Brungardt:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 454 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 454 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 454 expands the definition of a “firearm” and clarifies existing laws. The expungement of a felony conviction does not relieve an individual of complying with state or federal law relating to the use, shipment, transportation, receipt or possession of firearms. In addition, offenders may not have their records expunged as long as they are required to register.

The bill would give the Kansas Bureau of Investigation access to all criminal records for the purpose of completing a person’s criminal history record within the central repository and providing information to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in connection with the national instant criminal background check system. This is needed to determine a person’s qualification to possess a firearm. Individuals who have a license to carry a concealed firearm, issued by another jurisdiction, would be able to obtain a 180-day receipt from the Attorney General to carry their firearm. The bill provides requirements for previously licensed persons that chose to establish residency in the state.

If implemented, SB 454 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

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