February 9, 2011

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 93 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 93 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 93 would define the terms “biased policing.” Each law enforcement agency would be required to have a detailed written policy prohibiting biased policing and that clearly defines acts constituting biased policing. SB 93 would modify the training requirements relating to racial and other biased policing and would require law enforcement agencies to appoint an advisory body to review appropriate training curricula. In addition, SB 93 would require law enforcement agencies with ten or more full-time officers to establish and or use a Community Advisory Board which would receive training on fair and impartial policing and comprehensive plans for law enforcement agencies. The bill would also increase the annual reporting requirements pertaining to complaints of biased policing and would change the reporting deadline from January 1 to July 31. The bill would finally require each law enforcement agency to develop a comprehensive plan with a Community Advisory Board, if one exists, or with community leaders, by January 1, 2012. The plan would include policies on preventing racial profiling and biased policing and on the collection of traffic stop data beginning on July 1, 2011. The data would be made available to the public. The provisions of the comprehensive plan are specified in SB 93. The bill would take effect upon its publication in the Kansas Register.

The Kansas Highway Patrol estimates it would need $1,817 in FY 2012 from the State General Fund for additional costs to create the forms for collecting the information on traffic stops. The Office of Judicial Administration indicates any fiscal effect from the passage of SB 93 to the Judicial Branch would be negligible. The Office of the Attorney General states there would be no fiscal effect to agency operations if SB 93 were enacted. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 93 is not reflected in The FY 2012 Governor’s Budget Report.

The League of Kansas Municipalities states SB 93 could have a fiscal effect to Kansas cities because of the information local law enforcement agencies would have to gather, process,
and report. The League notes that some cities will have to form Community Advisory Boards and will have to provide staff.

Sincerely,

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