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The Honorable Blake Carpenter, Chairperson House Committee on Elections Statehouse, Room 149C-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Carpenter:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2339 by Representative Toplikar

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2339 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2339 would amend existing law to expand the crime of election tampering to include: changing or attempting to change, altering or concealing any vote cast by paper ballot or computer; changing or attempting to change any vote by manipulating computer hardware, software or vote tabulation methods; or intentionally producing false vote totals.

The Secretary of State indicates that enactment of HB 2339 would have no fiscal effect on the agency. According to the Kansas Association of Counties, election crimes are fairly rare, as is vote changing; thus, enactment of HB 2339 would be unlikely to have any fiscal effect on Kansas counties.

Sincerely,

Adam Proffitt

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cc: Jay Hall, Association of Counties Sandy Tompkins, Office of the Secretary of State