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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairperson Thompson
Members of the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: January 28, 2026

Subject: SB 314 – Prohibiting use of governmental assets to promote or oppose a ballot question.

Senate Bill No. 314 (SB 314) would amend K.S.A. 25-4169a to extend the general prohibition on use of governmental assets to advocate in an election to include ballot questions. Currently, K.S.A. 25-1469a prohibits state and local government employees from using moneys, equipment, supplies, or their time to advocate for or oppose any candidate for election. SB 314 would apply this same prohibition to questions presented on the ballot, such as state constitutional amendments, bond issuances, and tax rate increases.

Violation of this statute is a Class C misdemeanor.

If enacted, SB 314 would become effective on July 1, 2026.