Session of 2012

SENATE BILL No. 473

By Committee on Ways and Means

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AN ACT concerning state finance; relating to fiscal notes; amending
 K.S.A. 75-3715a and repealing the existing section.

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4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 75-3715a is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-6 3715a. (a) Fiscal notes shall be provided for all bills and concurrent 7 resolutions increasing or decreasing state revenues or the revenues of 8 counties, cities and school districts, making state appropriations or increasing or decreasing existing appropriations or the fiscal liability of the 9 state, or imposing functions or responsibilities on counties, cities and 10 school districts which will increase their expenditures or fiscal liability. 11 12 The director of the budget, or the director's designee, shall consult with the 13 League of Kansas municipalities, Kansas association of counties and the 14 Kansas association of school boards, as appropriate, when preparing such 15 fiscal notes. Not more than seven days following the first reading of any 16 such bill or concurrent resolution, the director of the budget shall furnish 17 to the committee or committees to which such bill or concurrent 18 resolution was referred a statement explaining the fiscal effect of such bill 19 or concurrent resolution. Fiscal notes are required for original bills or 20 concurrent resolutions only and not for amendments.

21 (b) The fiscal note, if possible, shall include a reliable estimate in 22 dollars of the anticipated change in revenue, expenditures, or fiscal 23 liability under the provisions of the bill or concurrent resolution. It also 24 shall include a statement as to the immediate effect and, if determinable or 25 reasonably foreseeable, the long-range effect of the measure. If, after 26 careful investigation, it is determined that no dollar estimate is possible, 27 the note shall contain a statement to that effect, setting forth the reasons 28 why no dollar estimate can be given. Every agency and department of the 29 state is directed to cooperate with the division of the budget in preparation 30 of any fiscal note provided for by this act when, and to the extent, 31 requested by the director of the budget.

32 (c) No comment or opinion shall be included in the fiscal note 33 regarding the merits of the measure for which the note is prepared.

(d) A fiscal note shall be provided for any concurrent resolution
making a proposition to amend the constitution, and shall include all costs
to the state, counties, cities or school districts associated with such

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- proposition, including, but not limited to, the costs of publication required 1
- 2 by K.S.A. 64-103(b), and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-3715a is hereby repealed. 3
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 4 5 publication in the statute book.