

January 12, 2017

The Honorable Keith Esau, Chairperson
House Committee on Elections
Statehouse, Room 151-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Esau:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2020 by Representative Finney

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2020 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2020 would amend existing law concerning voter registration to allow voters to register up to the day of primary and general elections. In addition, the bill establishes the requirements for persons who are not yet registered to register and vote on Election Day at a precinct voting site or a satellite advance voting site.

Currently, Kansas has an extensive process for voter registration. In order to fulfill the requirements of the bill, the Kansas Association of Counties indicates that there would be increased costs for the counties for additional personnel required to register voters at precinct and satellite advance voting sites, as well as training and computers for that personnel. Costs would vary from county to county and would be incurred for each election. The Association is unable to estimate what those costs might amount to.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties