

February 3, 2011

The Honorable Tim Owens, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Judiciary  
Statehouse, Room 559-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Owens:

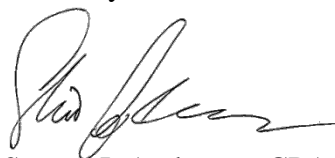
**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 62 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 62 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 62 would amend current law on asset seizure and forfeiture to allow court costs to be assessed and, if assessed, would include the amount of the docket fee in two cases. The assessment would occur when filing or recording in public records a property notice of seizure for forfeiture, notice of pending forfeiture, a forfeiture lien, or a pending lawsuit. It would be allowed when filing a lien of property forfeiture upon the initiation of any civil or criminal proceeding related to conduct causing forfeiture or upon seizure for forfeiture.

The passage of SB 62 is estimated to result in additional docket fees and costs collected by district courts. However, a precise statement of fiscal effect cannot be given until the courts have had an opportunity to operate under the provisions of the bill.

Sincerely,



Steven J. Anderson, CPA, MBA  
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary