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The Honorable Mario Goico, Chairperson House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security Statehouse, Room 276-W Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Goico:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2155 by House Committee on Veterans, Military and

Homeland Security

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2155 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2155 would provide employment protections to individuals who are called to military duty. The bill would provide employment protections to individuals employed within the State of Kansas and also extends the protection to individuals ordered to active duty by other states or who are serving in the military forces of other states. Under current law, this protection is only provided to individuals who are members of the Kansas National Guard, Kansas Air National Guard, Kansas State Guard, or other military force in Kansas.

The Adjutant General indicates passage of HB 2155 could increase the number of claims investigations the agency would have to conduct. However, there is no way to estimate how many cases, the length of time to investigate each case, or how much it would cost to hire an investigative officer. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2155 is not reflected in *The FY 2016 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

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cc: Larry Baer, League of Municipalities Cheri Froetschner, Adjutant General's Office Pam Fink, Department of Administration Willie Prescott, Attorney General's Office Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties