

January 27, 2015

The Honorable Jeff King, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 341-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator King:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 51 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 51 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Authority for the current Judicial Branch surcharge will expire on June 30, 2015. SB 51 would allow the Judicial Branch to continue collecting the surcharge through FY 2017. SB 51 also includes a technical amendment to reflect the correct docket fee of \$176 for an application for expungement.

Expenditures from the Judicial Branch surcharge are currently reflected in *The FY 2016 Governor's Budget Report* with estimated revenues to the Judicial Branch Docket Fee Fund of \$9.5 million in both FY 2016 and FY 2017. Consequently, the Office of Judicial Administration indicates that its budget would be reduced by \$9.5 million each fiscal year, if SB 51 is not enacted.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary