

March 8, 2007

The Honorable Michael O'Neal, Chairperson  
House Committee on Judiciary  
Statehouse, Room 143-N  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative O'Neal:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2465 by Representative Kelley

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2465 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2465 would establish the Office of District Attorney in the nineteenth judicial district, Cowley County. The bill would require that the person holding the Office of County Attorney in Cowley County become the district attorney on the effective date of this act. The Office of County Attorney in Cowley County would be abolished on that same date. Starting with the general election in 2008, and every general election every four years after, a district attorney would be elected. The district attorney would be an executive officer of the judicial district and would not be an officer of the county. HB 2465 would take effect upon its publication in the statute book.

According to the Kansas Association of Counties, the bill would increase Cowley County's expenditures by \$50,000 in FY 2008, to double the person's salary who currently holds the Office of County Attorney.

Sincerely,



Duane A. Goossen  
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary  
Judy Moler, KS Association of Counties