

January 17, 2007

The Honorable Mike Burgess, Chairperson  
House Committee on Elections and Governmental Organization  
Statehouse, Room 128-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Burgess:

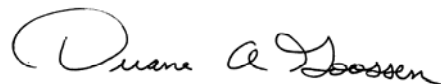
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2051 by Representative Sloan

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2051 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2051 would permit a state officer or employee of the Executive Branch of state government to accept a meal from a source outside state government when the meal is provided to the person because the person's presence at an event or meeting at which the meal is provided serves a legitimate state purpose and is authorized by the agency. The bill would also permit meals provided to the Governor's spouse when the presence of the Governor's spouse at the event or meeting at which the meal is provided serves a legitimate purpose. Under current law, these free or discounted meals are prohibited.

Should HB 2051 be enacted, there would be no fiscal effect on the Governmental Ethics Commission or the operations of the agency. This bill could be implemented within current staffing and operating expenditures with no long-range fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



Duane A. Goossen  
Director of the Budget

cc: Pat Higgins, Administration  
Carol Williams, Governmental Ethics Commission