

February 8, 2012

The Honorable Bob Bethell, Chairperson
House Committee on Aging and Long Term Care
Statehouse, Room 055-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Bethell:

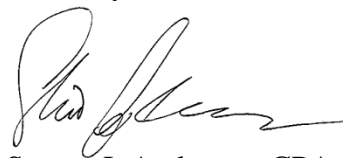
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2619 by House Committee on Aging and Long Term Care

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2619 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2619 concerns the licensure of adult care homes. The bill would change the statutory definition of an Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) to any facility operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week, caring for four or more individuals, instead of six or more individuals. The bill would add a definition for the "Medicaid program." The bill clarifies the Department on Aging's authority to license ICF/MRs. HB 2619 would also allow the Department to deny licensure to an adult care home that is owned or operated by an entity that has had the license of another adult care home owned or operated in a different state revoked, suspended, or denied due to health and safety concerns.

The Department on Aging states that passage of HB 2619 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



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