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The Honorable Blaine Finch, Chairperson House Committee on Judiciary Statehouse, Room 519-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Finch:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2588 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2588 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the courts are required to set aside a forfeiture of bail only when a surety can show that the defendant was incarcerated somewhere in the United States. HB 2588 would require the courts to set aside a forfeiture of bail for failing to appear if a surety could prove that the defendant died or has been expelled from the country prior to judgement of default. The surety would be required to submit a written statement, signed by the surety that includes details regarding the death or expulsion.

According to the Office of Judicial Administration, any fiscal effect upon the Judicial Branch resulting from the enactment of HB 2588 would be negligible.

Sincerely,

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