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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable John Barker, Chairperson House Committee on Federal and State Affairs Statehouse, Room 346-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Barker:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2501 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2501 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2501 would enact the Defend the Guard Act. The Kansas National Guard, or any of its members, would not be released from the state into active duty combat unless the United States Congress has passed an official declaration of war or has taken official action to activate the Kansas National Guard. The Governor would be required to take all actions necessary to comply with such declarations or official actions. No member of the Kansas National Guard would be forced to receive a COVID-19 vaccination or be disciplined if he or she refuses to receive any COVID-19 vaccination or other medical treatment for the COVID-19 virus.

The Adjutant General's Department states that enactment of HB 2501 would not have a fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

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cc: Michael Neth, Office of the Adjutant General