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The Honorable Richard Hilderbrand, Chairperson Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare Statehouse, Room 142-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Hilderbrand:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 425 by Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 425 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 425 would amend the Kansas Code for Care of Children by clarifying the exchange of information related to investigations of child abuse between the Department for Children and Families and law enforcement agencies and directs the Department to release certain information to law enforcement agencies.

The Department for Children and Families, Department of Corrections, Office of Judicial Administration, and Kansas Highway Patrol indicate that SB 425 would have no fiscal effect on the agencies or the Judicial Branch, respectively.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates that SB 425 would result in sharing of information between the Department for Children and Families and county law enforcement officials and would likely reduce county costs by preventing duplicated investigative efforts. The costs would depend on how frequently the information provided by the Department assisted investigative efforts by reducing investigation time.

Sincerely,

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cc: Kim Holter, Children & Families Randy Bowman, Corrections Jay Hall, Association of Counties Sherry Macke, Highway Patrol Vicki Jacobsen, Judiciary