

February 22, 2013

The Honorable David Crum, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 512-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Crum:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2343 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2343 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2343 would establish the Office of Laboratory Services Operating Fund, a fee fund for the Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories Bureau (KHEL) of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. The bill would give the Bureau authority to set fees for analytical services performed on samples submitted to the Laboratory, and to retain the fees collected. The bill would also allow for fees collected from the Environmental Laboratory Improvement Program to be deposited in the fee fund.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2013 SGF	FY 2013 All Funds	FY 2014 SGF	FY 2014 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	(\$1,002,000)	--
Expenditure	--	--	(\$1,002,000)	--
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	--

Currently, the KHEL provides environmental testing for local public and regional water systems and certifies other laboratories. The KHEL charges fees for these services and deposits the fees in the State General Fund. The bill would allow KDHE to deposit the fee revenue to the Laboratory Fee Fund and use the funding to pay for operations. Currently, operating expenditures for KHEL are paid by the State General Fund. Since KHEL already collects the fees, no additional staff would be required to implement the bill. Passage of the bill would have no fiscal effect for local governments. The bill would reduce revenue to the State General Fund


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by approximately \$1,002,000, which is the amount collected by KHEL in FY 2012 for sampling and certification work. This same amount, however, would no longer be appropriated from the State General Fund. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2343 is not reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven J. Anderson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Steven J. Anderson, CPA, MBA
Director of the Budget

cc: Aaron Dunkel, KDHE