

February 23, 2021

The Honorable Robert Olsen, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Commerce
Statehouse, Room 236A-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Olsen:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 162 by Senate Committee on Commerce

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 162 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 162 would expand the Employment Security Board of Review from three members to six members until June 30, 2024. No more than four members of the new six-member board could belong to the same political party. After June 30, 2024, the Board would return to three members. The bill would authorize the Board to sit in panels for the purposes of hearing and determining cases. A panel would consist of three members. The bill would amend provisions regarding member term limits. The Board or panel of the Board would be authorized the discretion to deny a request for an in-person hearing in the absence of good cause shown by the party requesting the hearing. The bill would become effective upon its publication in the *Kansas Register*.

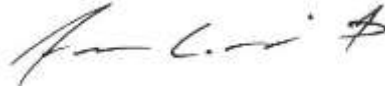
Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2021 SGF	FY 2021 All Funds	FY 2022 SGF	FY 2022 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	\$13,324	--	\$53,295
FTE Pos.	--	.75	--	3.00

The Kansas Department of Labor estimates that increasing the Board by three members would require additional expenditures of \$13,324 from federal funds for one quarter of FY 2021

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and \$53,295 for FY 2022. The estimate is based upon \$45,000 for the salaries and wages for the new Board members (\$15,000 for each member) plus \$8,295 for travel expenses. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 162 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Proffitt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A" and a stylized "P" at the end.

Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Dawn Palmberg, Department of Labor