February 14, 2020

The Honorable Fred Patton, Chairperson
House Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 519C-N
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Patton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2591 by Representative Capps

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2591 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2591 would allow sitting members of the Kansas House of Representatives and Kansas Senate to remain in a closed courtroom if the judge has closed the proceeding for any reason, except those enumerated in statutes. The member would be subject to discipline or censure in accordance with the rules of the Kansas House of Representatives or Kansas Senate, whichever is appropriate, for any conduct that arises out of the member’s presence in the courtroom.

The Office of Judicial Administration states enactment of the bill would have a negligible fiscal effect on the operations of the Judicial Branch. Legislative Administrative Services indicates enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on the operations of the Legislature.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary
    Karen Clowers, Legislative Services