

March 11, 2022

The Honorable Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 112-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Landwehr:

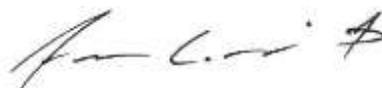
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2734 by House Committee on Appropriations

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2734 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2734 would add to the list of requirements for licensure as a Specialist Clinical Social Worker, an allowance for applicants to obtain additional postgraduate supervised experience in lieu of certain types of professional experience. The bill would also allow most master's level or above practitioners to test for licensure as an Addiction Counselor.

The Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board indicates certain provisions would be technical in nature while others would increase revenues and expenditures related to additional individuals seeking licensure. The Board indicates 10.0 percent of any new revenue would be remitted to the State General Fund and the remaining amount would be credited to the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board in accordance with current law. The Board is unable to determine the number of individuals that may seek licensure under the provisions of HB 2734; as a result, an estimate of revenues and expenditures that may result from the bill's enactment was not provided. However, the Board indicates any fiscal effect of expenditures from additional staff time spent reviewing and processing applications, licenses, continuing education and rules and regulations could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2734 is not reflected in *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: David Fye, Behavioral Sciences