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The Honorable Ronald Ellis, Chairperson House Committee on Veterans and Military 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 281-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Ellis:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2624 by House Committee on Veterans and Military

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2624 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2624 would require findings of a service-connected disability or death by federal officials to be probative. The bill would prohibit state agencies and municipalities from requesting or demanding a veteran's private health information for the purpose of determining eligibility for service-connected or non-service-connected disability benefits and would prohibit the reconsideration of disability determination made by federal officials as specified in the bill. The bill would also make related definitions and specify allowed documentation for verification of disability or death.

According to the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs Office and the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services enactment of HB 2624 would not have a fiscal effect for either agency.

Sincerely,

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