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The Honorable Molly Baumgardner, Chairperson Senate Committee on Education 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 144-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Baumgardner:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 207 by Senate Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 207 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 207 would prohibit a school district employee or independent contractor from knowingly addressing, identifying, or referring to a student by a pronoun that differs from the student's biological sex, unless the school district has written permission from the student's parent or guardian. A school district could not require any employees or independent contractors to address a student with a pronoun that differs from the students' biological sex if it is contrary to the employee's or contractor's moral or religious beliefs. The bill would require each school district to implement a policy to implement provisions of the bill.

The Department of Education states that any fiscal effect on administrative functions of school districts would be negligible with the enactment of SB 207.

Sincerely,

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