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The Honorable Clay Aurand, Chairperson
House Committee on Education
Statehouse, Room 174-W
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Aurand:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2019 by Special Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2019 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, boards of education of any two or more school districts may make agreements providing for the attendance of pupils residing in one school district in kindergarten or any of the grades one through 12 maintained by another school district. The boards of education may provide by agreement for the combination of enrollments for kindergarten or one or more grades, courses, or units of instruction. HB 2019 would have all agreements made with these policies expire on June 30, 2014. However, boards of education can enter into agreements after June 30, 2014, if the boards have a written plan of consolidation of their respective school districts. The bill would not allow the termination date of any agreement after June 30, 2017. The provisions of this bill would also expire on June 30, 2017.

According to the Kansas Department of Education, enactment of HB 2019 would have no fiscal effect on the state. However, school districts may realize savings if agreements lead to consolidation of school districts.

Sincerely,

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