February 14, 2011

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

Dear Representative Aurand:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2251 by House Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2251 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2251 would require that a K-12 student must be a resident of Kansas to be eligible to be counted in a school district’s enrollment for state aid calculations.

According to the Kansas Department of Education, there are 724 out-of-state students currently enrolled in Kansas school districts, mostly in declining enrollment districts in counties that border surrounding states. Because of the statutory formula for calculating student enrollment for declining enrollment districts, the Department notes that the bill would reduce state aid beginning in FY 2013 by $3.1 million, all from the State General Fund. For this estimate, the Department estimated that 30.0 percent of affected students were at-risk students and used a base state aid per pupil of $3,780. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2251 is not reflected in The FY 2012 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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Director of the Budget

cc: Dale Dennis, Education