February 14, 2011

The Honorable Vicki Schmidt, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
Statehouse, Room 552-S
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Schmidt:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for S B 134 by Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 134 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 134 would amend current law regarding the Advanced Practical Nurse classification. The bill would change the title from Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP) to Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), and would require the APRN classification to complete continuing education in advance of practicing nursing.

The Kansas Board of Nursing indicates that passage of the bill would increase expenditures from the Board of Nursing Fee Fund because current regulations would need to be updated and those changes published; however, the Board estimates that these costs would be less than $500. The fiscal effect of SB 134 is not reflected in The FY 2012 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Blubaugh, Nursing