February 29, 2012

The Honorable Carolyn McGinn, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Statehouse, Room 545-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator McGinn:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 436 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 436 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 436 would establish the Kansas Newborn Screening Fund to be administered by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). All expenditures from the fund would be for the Newborn Screening Program and be in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the Director of Accounts and Reports issued for vouchers that are approved by the Secretary of KDHE. Revenues to the fund would be derived from fees currently collected in the State General Fund from health maintenance organizations and Medicare provider organizations. Each month, the Director of Accounts and Reports would determine the amount credited to the State General Fund from that source, and transfer the amount from the State General Fund to the Kansas Newborn Screening Fund with an aggregate transfer limit of $3.0 million for any fiscal year.

SB 436 would provide a funding source for the program currently funded in the Department of Health and Environment through the Children’s Initiatives Fund. As a result of this bill, funds deposited in the State General Fund would decrease by up to $3.0 million and the fee fund receipts would increase by up to $3.0 million each year. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 436 is not reflected in The FY 2013 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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cc: Aaron Dunkel, KDHE