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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Pete DeGraaf, Chairperson House Committee on General Government Budget Statehouse, Room 459-W Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative DeGraaf:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2178 by House Committee on General Government Budget

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2178 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law provides for a longevity bonus payment to certain classified employees. It is paid on the basis of \$40 per year starting at ten years of service (\$400) up to 25 years of service (\$1,000). Only employees hired prior to June 15, 2008, are eligible for the bonus payment. HB 2178 would clarify that the longevity bonus would be paid only when money is appropriated for the bonus and when provision for the bonus is made by the Legislature.

Contained within *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report* is funding for agencies to pay eligible employees their longevity bonus. In total, \$8.5 million is identified within agencies' budgets for this purpose.

Sincerely,

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cc: Pam Fink, Dept. of Administration