

February 16, 2015

The Honorable Jeff King, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 341-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator King:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 219 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 219 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 219 would revise language in the current statutes related to Adult Protective Services. The term such as “adult” would be revised to say “vulnerable adult” and there are other minor language revisions that would not change current practice. The most significant recommended revision is that mandated reporters of abuse, neglect, and exploitation would be expanded to include firefighters and emergency medical services personnel.

The Department for Children and Families (DCF) states that the change to add the additional mandated reporters may result in an increase in reports of adult abuse, neglect, and exploitation. However, the increase is expected to be relatively small and DCF would absorb the additional reports and investigation with current staff and resources.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Jackie Aubert, Children & Families
Brad Ridley, Aging & Disability Services
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