

February 14, 2017

The Honorable Vicki Schmidt, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
Statehouse, Room 441-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Schmidt:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 126 by Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 126 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 126 would amend current law (KSA 65-516) regarding restrictions on persons residing, working or volunteering in a child care facility. The proposed changes in the bill are necessary to comply with new requirements for states that receive federal funding from the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 2014. The bill would expand the list of prohibitions to include any individual that has been convicted or adjudicated of a crime that requires registration as a sex offender under the Kansas offender registration act, as a sex offender in another state, or as a sex offender on the national sex offender registry. The bill would also expand the prohibition against individuals listed on the child abuse and neglect registry maintained by the Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) to include individuals listed on the child abuse and neglect registry maintained by any other state or the federal government. The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) is responsible for child care licensing and inspections and DCF is the lead agency for administration of the block grant.

Enactment of SB 126 would have no fiscal effect for DCF, except for the possibility of changes to the transfers to KDHE from the Child Care and Development Block Grant Fund. According to KDHE, the bill would require additional expenditures associated with the required updates to the background check database. Expenditures would include promulgating regulations; adapting existing work processes; enhancing the child care licensing data system; and informing the regulated community of the new requirements. The majority of the expenditures would be absorbed within existing resources; however, it is possible that KDHE would need to request additional Child Care Development Block Grant funds from DCF to off-

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set costs associated with the implementation of new requirements and enhancements to the database system. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 126 is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Linda Kelly, Corrections
Dan Thimmesch, Health & Environment
Jackie Aubert, Children & Families