

February 12, 2019

The Honorable Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 352-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Landwehr:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2146 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2146 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2146 would allow the Kansas Board of Healing Arts to provide a certificate of authorization for a business entity to practice medicine. The bill would require a business entity to apply for the certification biennially.

The Kansas Board of Healing Arts states that enactment of HB 2146 could increase the responsibilities and workload for licensure and administrative staff. Enactment of the bill would also increase fee revenue. The Board has no way of predicting the number of business entities that would apply for this certification, therefore, an estimate of additional costs and revenues cannot be made.

Allowing business entities to practice medicine would require said entities to obtain malpractice coverage through the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The agency states that this could affect the fund either positively or negatively, depending on the level of assessments charged for the coverage and the number of claims paid on behalf of the entities. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2146 is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Beth Visocky, Board of Healing Arts