

February 25, 2020

The Honorable Sean Tarwater, Chairperson
House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
Statehouse, Room 151D-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Tarwater:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2706 by House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2706 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2706 would establish the Public Employee Safety and Health Program within the Kansas Department of Labor Division of Industrial Safety and Health. The Program would include:

1. Workplace safety and health consultations for all public employers to include on-site inspections and interviews with employees;
2. Ergonomic evaluations of employee workstations; and
3. Safety and health training to assist in the prevention of accidents and the elimination of safety and health hazards.

The bill would allow the Department of Labor to investigate the death or serious injury of any public employee occurring at the employee's place of work.

The Kansas Department of Labor indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect on agency operations and notes the responsibilities contained in the bill already exist within current agency programs. The Department of Administration Office of Personnel Services also indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect on the Department of Administration or state workplace health and safety practices.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Dawn Palmberg, Department of Labor
Jeff Scannell, Department of Administration