

February 1, 2021

The Honorable Susan Concannon, Chairperson
House Committee on Children and Seniors
Statehouse, Room 149A-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Concannon:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2116 by House Committee on Children and Seniors

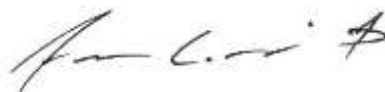
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2116 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Currently, adults must be employed a minimum of 20 hours or more per week to be eligible for a non-TANF child care subsidy. HB 2116 would exempt the caregiver of a child in state out-of-home placement from the child care assistance 20 hour per week requirement.

The Department for Children and Families states that HB 2116 would codify an exemption to child care subsidy employment requirements for foster parents. Current policy allows for the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) to be used to cover the costs of children in foster care when the foster parent works less than 20 hours per week. However, this is not one of the exemptions from work requirements detailed in statute. HB 2116 would make policy and statute consistent. The bill has no fiscal effect because CCDF funds are currently being claimed for these cases. If it was determined the current claiming methodology was not allowable, approximately \$160,000 in State General Fund would be needed to fully fund these services annually.

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services, Kansas Department of Corrections, and the Office of Judicial Administration indicate that enactment of HB 2116 would have no fiscal effect on the Departments or Judiciary, respectively.

Sincerely,



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cc: Kim Holter, Children & Families
Randy Bowman, Corrections
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