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The Honorable Fred Patton, Chairperson House Committee on Judiciary Statehouse, Room 582-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Patton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2473 by Representatives Highberger and Neelly

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2473 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, for the Johnson County and Sedgwick County law libraries, only two district court judges from each county are required to serve on the library's board of trustees. For each of the other 103 county law libraries, each county's presiding district court judges are required to serve on the board of trustees.

HB 2473 would add Douglas County as the third county in which only two of the presiding district court judges would be required to serve on the county law library's board of trustees.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates enactment of HB 2473 could have a fiscal effect on the Judicial Branch since the bill's provisions would no longer require all Douglas County district court judges to serve on the law library's board of trustees; therefore, most Douglas County district court judges would be freed of any obligation they may currently have from being a required member of the board of trustees. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2473 is not reflected in *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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