

March 19, 2024

The Honorable Will Carpenter, Chairperson
House Committee on Federal and State Affairs
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 346-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Carpenter:

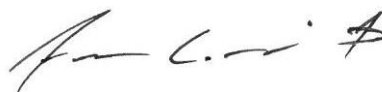
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2835 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2835 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2835 would require first class cities and counties containing first class cities to adopt law enforcement vehicle pursuit protocols. The protocols would require, at minimum, adherence to existing statute; officers to weigh the need for immediate apprehension against the danger of a pursuit to both the community and the officer; the pursuit to be terminated immediately upon order of the supervising officer; emergency lights and headlights to be employed during the pursuit; and dispatchers to notify the community and surrounding law enforcement agencies that a pursuit is in progress. Officers following pursuit protocols would still be required to drive with due regard for public safety and would not be protected from the consequences of reckless driving.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates that the bill has the potential to increase county government expenditures to defend against legal challenges stemming from accidents that occur during law enforcement pursuit. The League of Kansas Municipalities states that the bill would increase municipal government expenditures on law enforcement officer training; however, an exact estimate of this fiscal effect cannot be calculated. The Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training indicates that the bill would have no fiscal effect on agency operations.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties
Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities
Doug Schroeder, Peace Officers Standards & Training