

February 2, 2023

The Honorable Susan Concannon, Chairperson
House Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 152-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Concannon:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2153 by House Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2153 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2153 would expand the current human trafficking training coordination to specify that the Attorney General, in consultation with other state agencies, would be authorized to coordinate training regarding alleged human trafficking, aggravated human trafficking, or commercial sexual exploitation of a child for law enforcement agencies throughout Kansas. The bill would also require law enforcement agencies to implement a coordinated multidisciplinary team approach to intervention of reports involving alleged human trafficking, aggravated human trafficking, or commercial sexual exploitation of a child. The bill would require that certain child welfare agencies; juvenile justice agencies; child care service personnel; individuals licensed certified, registered, or authorized to practice by the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board; and any public or nonpublic elementary or secondary school or any postsecondary educational institution employees who have regular contact with children less than 18 years of age to complete one hour of training each fiscal year on human trafficking awareness and identification that is developed and approved by the Attorney General.

The Office of the Attorney General states that its trainings on human trafficking already conform to the multidisciplinary team approach described in the bill. The Office indicates that it could develop and approve the one-hour training using existing resources. The Office would record an online training video conforming to the requirements of the bill and make it available on its website free of charge.

The Board of Regents states that enactment of HB 2153 would affect state universities, Washburn University, community colleges and technical colleges since the bill would require those employees to complete one hour of training annually. The Board indicates that there are approximately 31,000 employees within the postsecondary education system that would be required to take the training, but if the training would be provided by the Attorney General free of charge there would be no fiscal effect. The State Board of Education indicates that HB 2153

would have no fiscal effect on the Department and would have a negligible fiscal effect on school districts. However, since the Attorney General indicates that it would provide a training video free of charge, educational institutions should not have a fiscal effect.

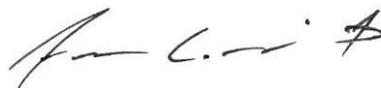
The Department for Children and Families and the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services both state that HB 2153 would include specific positions within both agencies that would be required to have training described in the bill. However, any additional expenditures would be absorbed within existing resources.

The Kansas Highway Patrol states that the bill does not detail the involvement in developing, implementing, or sustaining of training the agency would have. Therefore, the agency cannot estimate the fiscal effect the bill would have on agency operations.

The Department of Corrections states that the additional one hour of training would increase overtime and related expenses but those expenses could be absorbed within its current operating budget. The Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board, Kansas Bureau of Investigation, and Kansas Department of Health and Environment all indicate that the bill would not have a fiscal effect on operations. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2153 is not reflected in *The FY 2024 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates that the bill could increase expenditures for counties depending on the cost, location, and availability of trainings. However, since the Attorney General indicates that it would provide a training video free of charge, counties should not have a fiscal effect. The League of Kansas Municipalities states that the bill would not have a fiscal effect on cities.

Sincerely,



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