

February 1, 2024

The Honorable Stephen Owens, Chairperson  
House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 546-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Owens:

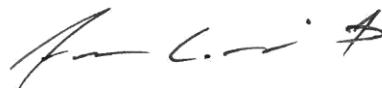
**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2602 by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2602 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2602 would amend Kansas Juvenile Justice Code to allow for the expungement of an adjudication if, in the past two years since final discharge, the juvenile has not been convicted of a felony, has not been convicted of a misdemeanor other than a traffic offense, has not been adjudicated for another offense under the Kansas Juvenile Justice Code, and is not in pending proceedings for a conviction or adjudication. Under current law, any conviction or adjudication after final discharge would disqualify the juvenile from having their adjudication expunged.

The Judiciary indicates that by making it less restrictive to have a juvenile's record expunged, the bill could increase the number of cases filed in district courts. This may increase agency operating expenditures due to the additional time spent by district court judicial and nonjudicial personnel in processing, researching, and hearing cases. However, the Judiciary is unable to calculate an exact estimate of this effect. The bill has the potential to increase the collections of docket fees that are deposited in the State General Fund; however, the amount of additional docket fee collections is unknown. The Department of Corrections and the Sentencing Commission indicate that the bill would not have a fiscal effect on agency operations. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2602 is not reflected in *The FY 2025 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Trisha Morrow, Judiciary  
Jennifer King, Department of Corrections  
Scott Schultz, Kansas Sentencing Commission