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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Ronald Ellis, Chairperson House Committee on Veterans and Military 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 281-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Ellis:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2760 by House Committee on Veterans and Military

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2760 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2760 would change the name of the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs Office to the Kansas Office of Veterans Services and update the name throughout all statutes. All current powers, duties, and functions would remain the same.

According to the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs Office (KCVAO), enactment of HB 2760 would require \$18,000, all from the State General Fund in both FY 2025 and FY 2026. The agency states that State General Fund appropriations from their Kansas Cemeteries Program and Veteran Services Program will be utilized and no additional appropriations will be needed. The agency reports that a complete inventory of all KCVAO locations was performed to develop a consolidated list of items that would need to be reimaged with the new agency name. The agency would intend to purchase the new signage over a two-year period. This would allow the agency time to develop and receive approval for the office seal used on signage. The agency also notes that the majority of the signage is approximately \$50 per item for window stickers, office signs, etc. Each cemetery has a large (40inch) bronze medallion located at the entrance to all cemeteries that would cost an estimated \$8,000 per seal to update. The agency would also seek other options to explore lower cost alternatives for the seals. Additionally, KCVAO would work with its website vendor to update the name and logo on the agency website. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2760 is not reflected in *The FY 2025 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Crystal Hewitt, KCVAO