

March 13, 2024

The Honorable Mike Thompson, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 144-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Thompson:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 492 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 492 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

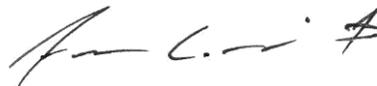
SB 492 would remove the prohibition on the transportation of alcoholic beverages in opened containers and on drinking or consuming alcoholic liquor inside vehicles, while on public streets, alleys, roads, or highways. The bill would take effect upon its publication in the statute book.

The Office of Judicial Administration states the bill could have a fiscal effect on Judicial Branch operations because the bill's provisions would decriminalize actions involving open containers in vehicles that could be charged as crimes under current law, which would result in fewer criminal cases being filed. The Office indicates until the Judicial Branch has had an opportunity to operate under the bill's provisions a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

The Department of Revenue indicates there would not be a fiscal effect on agency operations if the bill is enacted. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 492 is not reflected in *The FY 2025 Governor's Budget Report*.

Both the League of Kansas Municipalities and the Kansas Association of Counties state the bill's enactment would have a negligible fiscal effect on local governments.

Sincerely,



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