



February 24, 2025

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

Dear Representative Kessler:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2379 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2379 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2379 would enact the Kansas Voluntary Do-Not-Sell Firearms List Act that would be established by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI). The KBI would adopt rules and regulations and develop policies necessary to implement the list. The KBI would not disclose to the public information regarding a request to be placed onto or removed from the list or other personal identifiable information, except to law enforcement. This provision would expire on July 1, 2030. The bill would detail how a person can request placement on or removal from the list, and how the KBI would handle each request. A person could also submit a form to a healthcare provider requesting to be added to the list. The healthcare provider would verify the person's identity before accepting the form and would electronically deliver the form to the KBI.

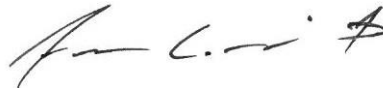
The bill would make it unlawful for a person to: (1) inquire if a person is on the list for any purpose other than to determine a person's eligibility to purchase a firearm; (2) give false information or make a false statement with the intent of placing a person onto the list or removing a person from the list; or (3) discriminate against a person with respect to healthcare services, employment, education, housing, insurance, governmental benefits, or contracting because the person is not on the list, is on the list, or has previously been on the list. It would also be illegal for a federally-licensed dealer to transfer a firearm to a person on the list. Violations would be assessed a civil penalty of not more than \$500 or up to five hours of community service. A civil penalty would not be assessed to a person who has requested, is, or has been on the list, if the violation relates directly to the person's request to be on the list.

The KBI states that the only similar process they currently provide is the court ordered involuntary commitments, and this process takes approximately five minutes to process the order in the KBI systems and to forward it to the National Instant Background Check System. The KBI would use Microsoft Excel to maintain the list. The agency cannot estimate how many requests would be received to add or remove individuals from the list and therefore a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

The Office of Judicial Administration states that the bill would not have a fiscal effect on agency operations. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2379 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities state that the bill would have no fiscal effect on counties and cities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", followed by a stylized flourish.

Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Paul Weisgerber, Kansas Bureau of Investigation
Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities
Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties
Trisha Morrow, Judiciary