

February 4, 2026

The Honorable Susan Humphries, Chairperson
House Committee on Judiciary
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 582-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Humphries:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2499 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2499 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2499 would require, on and after January 1, 2027, any person convicted of driving under the influence, including violations prohibiting acts in city ordinances or county resolutions, to attend an in-person victim impact panel program. The bill would require the program to be developed and conducted by a nonprofit organization approved by the court. The bill would apply to any diversion agreement that is entered into in lieu of further criminal proceedings on a complaint alleging driving under the influence. The bill would allow the nonprofit organization to charge a fee not to exceed \$100 per person to attend the program. The bill would also require victim impact panel programs for people convicted of driving or attempting to operate a commercial motor vehicle under the influence.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates while the bill's provisions could create more work for judges to approve a victim impact panel program and to approve online attendance instead of in-person, the fiscal effect could be absorbed within existing staffing and budget resources.

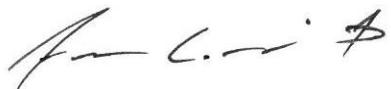
The Kansas Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Revenue indicated enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on the agencies. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2499 is not reflected in *The FY 2027 Governor's Budget Report*.

The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates enactment of the bill would increase expenditures for cities to implement the requirements of the bill. The League states that

municipalities and law enforcement officers would be required to develop and implement new procedures related to driving under the influence. These added duties would require additional time and training for law enforcement officers, which would increase expenditures. However, a precise fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates enactment of the bill would increase expenditures for courts to adjust current program mechanisms to ensure new procedures are followed. Costs would include creating the programs and a system verifying each person convicted attended, either in person or via online mechanisms. However, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

Sincerely,



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