



January 27, 2026

The Honorable Cyndi Howerton, Chairperson
House Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 152-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Howerton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2524 by House Committee on Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2524 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2524 would amend the licensure requirements for family foster homes. The Secretary of the Department for Children and Families would be required to grant a license or allow maintenance of an existing license of a family foster home when an applicant meets certain requirements of the bill. These would include an applicant who would otherwise qualify, and there is a resident of the home who was previously a child in the Secretary's custody, is between 18 and 26 years old, and either maintains residence in or was legally adopted by someone in that home.

The secretary could grant licenses when the resident is older than 26 but otherwise meets provisions of the bill. The bill would also create an appeal process allowing applicants or licensees to request the Secretary's review if a license is denied or not maintained, with the Secretary's decision being final.

According to the Department for Children and Families, enactment of HB 2524 would have no fiscal effect on agency operations.

Sincerely,

Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Kim Holter, Department for Children & Families