



January 26, 2026

The Honorable Larry Alley, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Commerce
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 159-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Alley:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 334 by Senate Committee on Commerce

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 334 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 334 would require schools for professional or practical nurses to have faculty that possess a nursing degree awarded by a state or nationally accredited school of nursing approved by the Board of Nursing that is at least one level more advanced than the degree awarded by the program in which they are teaching. The bill would prohibit the Board from requiring additional or more advanced credentials for faculty. The bill would allow the Board to grant an exemption to degree requirements to a school facing hardships in hiring faculty.

The Board of Nursing indicates enactment of the bill would have a negligible fiscal effect on administrative expenses to revise regulations and communicate changes to nursing programs which could be absorbed within existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 334 is not reflected in *The FY 2027 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Jill Simons, Board of Nursing
Becky Pottebaum, Board of Regents