

January 29, 2026

The Honorable Michael Fagg, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Utilities
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 548-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Fagg:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 379 by Senate Committee on Utilities

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 379 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 379 would require the State 911 Board to provide and coordinate a statewide emergency medical dispatch and telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation program. The scope and purpose of the program would be to adopt statewide protocols for public service answering points (PSAPs) and emergency medical dispatchers. The Board could contract to procure the services of a medical director to provide medical direction regarding the management and accountability of the medical care aspects of emergency medical dispatch and telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation protocols and services rendered in accordance with the protocols. The Board could also contract to procure a centralized quality assurance system to evaluate and review the quality performance of the services rendered for the statewide emergency medical dispatch and telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation protocols. The bill would not require a PSAP to utilize the medical direction services or the centralized quality assurance system contracted by the Board and instead could contract to procure its own medical direction option and quality assurance system. No person or entity that contracts with the State 911 Board or any PSAP would be held liable for civil damages, unless the person or entity is guilty of gross and wanton negligence causing injury.

The bill would create the Emergency Medical Dispatch and Telecommunicator Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Fund within the State 911 Board. On July 1, 2027, the Director of Accounts and Reports would transfer \$300,000 from the State 911 Operations Fund to the Emergency Medical Dispatch and Telecommunicator Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Fund. The new fund would receive interest earned on the fund. The State 911 Board would be required to prepare and submit a report on the program that would assess system performance, guide quality improvement efforts, inform policy and funding decisions, and improve health outcomes. The bill details the information that would be provided in the report and the committees it would be submitted to no later than January 31 each year.

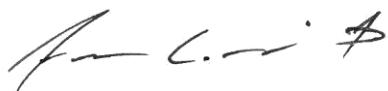
Estimated State Fiscal Effect			
	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Expenditures			
State General Fund	--		--
Fee Fund(s)	--	\$300,000	--
Federal Fund	--	--	--
Total Expenditures	--	\$300,000	--
Revenues			
State General Fund	--	--	--
Fee Fund(s)	--	--	--
Federal Fund	--	--	--
Total Revenues	--	--	--
FTE Positions	--	--	--

The State 911 Board states that it would spend \$300,000 from the Emergency Medical Dispatch and Telecommunicator Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Fund in FY 2027 to enact the provisions of the bill. Of that amount, \$200,000 would be for a Medical Director. Because the agency anticipates the Medical Director would not be a full-time position, the Board would contract for the service. The Board also estimates \$100,000 in expenses associated with the quality assurance system. The agency states that because the Board is required to report results yearly, expenditures in future years could increase; however, the Board cannot estimate those expenses.

The Office of Judicial Administration states that the bill would have a negligible fiscal effect on expenditures that would be absorbed within its existing budget. The bill would also have a negligible effect on agency and State General Fund revenues. The Office of the Attorney General states that the bill would not have a fiscal effect. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 379 is not reflected in *The FY 2027 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties states that the bill would increase costs to counties for training and continuing education, as well as quality assurance costs. However, the Association cannot estimate the fiscal effect, and it does not know who would pay those costs. The League of Kansas Municipalities states that the bill would not have a fiscal effect on cities.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

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Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties
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