

February 17, 2011

The Honorable Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 151-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Landwehr:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2280 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

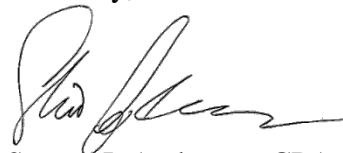
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2280 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2280 would create a new category of dental service providers called registered dental practitioners, who must be licensed by the Kansas Dental Board to practice dental therapy. All licensing requirements, regulations, and powers and duties of the Kansas Dental Board related to registered dental practitioners would be identified under the bill. Provisions establishing registered dental practitioners would go into effect on July 1, 2013.

The bill would require registered dental practitioners to pay a maximum fee of \$200 for biennial license renewals; \$150 for examinations; and \$100 for subsequent examinations. HB 2280 would also expand the membership of the Board from nine to 11 members by adding two registered dental practitioners, who must be appointed by the Governor. The new members would begin service in 2015.

Enactment of HB 2280 would result in additional expenditures and revenues for the Kansas Dental Board beginning in FY 2014. Expanding Board membership would increase salaries and wages costs for the new members. Currently, Board members receive a salary of \$35 per day. The total costs would depend on the number of days worked and any paid fringe benefits. The new fees for dental practitioners would also increase Dental Board Fee Fund revenue; however, it is not known how many practitioner licensees would register, a precise estimate cannot be determined. The Board estimates the number of practitioners would be low.

Sincerely,



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cc: Betty Wright, Dental Board
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