

January 31, 2012

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 2525 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2525 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2525 amends current laws concerning optometry by removing references to various levels of licensure since all licensees are now required to be licensed at the highest level possible. The bill would update current laws concerning administrative hearings, as well as allow for e-mail and fax correspondence by the Board. The bill also would give the Board the authority to require applicants for licensure or licensees under investigation to submit to background checks. The charges for these background checks would be paid by the applicant or licensee.

According to the Board of Examiners in Optometry, passage of HB 2525 would have no fiscal effect on its budget. Any additional costs to perform background checks would not be financed by the agency.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Jan Murray, Optometry