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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable David Crum, Chairperson House Committee on Health and Human Services Statehouse, Room 512-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Crum:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2374 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2374 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2374 would allow a qualified provider who is licensed with the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board under another profession to treat substance use disorders without also being licensed as an addiction counselor or clinical addiction counselor. A qualified provider would be allowed to treat substance use disorders in a treatment facility or private practice and be reimbursement based on rates for services provide under the Medicaid program, Title XIX of the Federal Social Security Act. The bill provides a definition for qualified provider.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2013	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2014
	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds
Revenue			(\$8,410)	(\$84,100)
Expenditure				
FTE Pos.				

The Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board indicates that it currently licenses 218 people as licensed addiction counselors (LACs) and 402 people as licensed clinical addiction counselors (LCACs), all of whom are licensed under another profession. Those licensed as LACs pay a biennial renewal fee to the Board of \$100 and LCACs pay a biennial renewal fee of \$150. If dual licensure was no longer required for these individuals, as provided in HB 2374, the Board estimates revenues to the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board Fee Fund would decrease by \$84,100 in FY 2014 and every two years, of which 10.0 percent or \$8,410 would no longer be

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remitted to the State General Fund. The estimate includes a reduction of \$60,300 for LCACs (402 x \$150); \$21,800 for LACs (218 x \$100); and \$2,000 for approximately 20 licensees seeking dual licensure who would apply for a fee of \$100. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2374 is not reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Tom Hawk, Behavioral Sciences