

March 23, 2017

The Honorable Bill Sutton, Chairperson
House Committee on General Government Budget
Statehouse, Room 274-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Sutton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2407 by House Committee on Appropriations

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2407 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2407 would prohibit transfers of real estate to the State of Kansas or any agency unless written consent is provided by the Secretary of Administration and the Attorney General through probate proceedings. Other transfers of real estate without consideration would require written consent of the Secretary of Administration and the agency. The Attorney General would be authorized to bring civil actions to declare any violation of the bill. The definition of "agency" would not include state education institutions. The bill would take effect upon its publication in the *Kansas Register*.

The Office of the Attorney General estimates the bill would have either no fiscal effect or a negligible fiscal effect on agency operations, but is unable to determine the dollar amount. The Office indicates that the agency may incur expenditures related to preventing the transfer of property that is in a state of disrepair or neglect and may expose the state to liability. The Office may also incur costs from investigating or litigating cases under the bill; however, the agency expects the number of cases would be small.

The Department of Administration states that the bill would have no fiscal effect on Department operations. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2407 is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Willie Prescott, Office of the Attorney General
Colleen Becker, Department of Administration