

March 27, 2017

REVISED

The Honorable Carolyn McGinn, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Statehouse, Room 545-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator McGinn:

SUBJECT: Revised Fiscal Note for SB 235 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following revised fiscal note concerning SB 235 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 235 would permanently exempt state or municipal-owned medical care facilities and adult care homes; community mental health centers; indigent health care clinics; and any buildings associated with the University of Kansas Medical Center (KUMC) from the requirement that carrying concealed handguns cannot be prohibited unless adequate security measures are in place. Under current law, these facilities are exempt until July 1, 2017, if notification was filed with the Office of the Attorney General.

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) indicates that passage of the bill would have no fiscal effect because it would allow state hospitals to continue to operate without adding adequate security measures under the Personal and Family Protection Act. If the bill is not enacted, KDADS estimates that additional expenditures of \$12,510,000 from the State General Fund would be needed for security enhancements. Of this amount, \$810,000 would be for one-time costs for metal detectors and firearms and \$11,700,000 would be for ongoing costs for the salaries and wages of 180.00 FTE positions (2.00 FTE positions for three shifts for 30 locations at all state hospitals). As required by the Personal and Family Protection Act, the additional staffing would include armed personnel. The total costs in the original fiscal note were \$11,250,000 and assumed the security positions would be unarmed. Using armed personnel increases total expenditures by \$1,260,000 because of the added costs for firearms and associated equipment and higher salaries and wages for personnel trained in the use of the firearms and other security measures. The one-time equipment costs would be for FY 2017 while ongoing costs would be for FY 2018 and beyond.

According to the University of Kansas Medical Center, the bill would allow the agency to continue current policies regarding carrying concealed handguns in KUMC buildings; as a result, SB 235 would not have a fiscal effect on the agency. No cost estimates have been provided by KUMC regarding expenditures the agency would incur to implement adequate security measures in the event the bill is not enacted.

The Kansas Association of Counties estimates that local governments would be able to avoid costs from being permanently exempted from the Personal and Family Protection Act's requirements on adequate security measures for public buildings. However, the Association is unable to determine the exact dollar amount of any avoided expenditures. Information from the Kansas Association of Counties was not included in the original fiscal note.

The Office of the Attorney General estimates that the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agency. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 235 is not reflected in *The FY 2018 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn Sullivan", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Cody Gwaltney, Aging & Disability Services
Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties
Willie Prescott, Office of the Attorney General
Leisa Julian, University of Kansas