

January 29, 2019

The Honorable Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 352-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Landwehr:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2066 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2066 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2066 would amend the Nurse Practice Act. The bill would no longer require Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) to establish a collaborative agreement with a responsible physician or have physician oversight of APRN practices. The bill would require proof of national certification for APRN licensure at the time of licensure and licensure renewal and the Board of Nursing would be required to recognize national certifying organizations whose certifications standards are equal to or greater than the corresponding standards established by the Board. The Board would need to include rules and regulations for the federal drug enforcement administration registration and monitor the APRN's compliance with this requirement. APRNs would be able to prescribe medications independently and would need to maintain malpractice insurance coverage at the time of licensure and renewal of licensure. The Board would need to monitor the proof of malpractice insurance.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2019 SGF	FY 2019 All Funds	FY 2020 SGF	FY 2020 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	--	--	\$31,752
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	--

According to the Board of Nursing, enactment of HB 2066 would have a fiscal effect on expenditures of the Board. The Board's staff would need to update licensure software for validating national certification, compliance with federal drug enforcement requirements and malpractice insurance. Communication would need to occur with all licensed APRNs and their employers about the change in requirements. Rules and regulations would need updated and research into national certifying organizations requirements would need to be completed. The estimated fiscal effect on expenditures would be \$31,752 for updating software and communication. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2066 is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. L. Campbell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and a long, sweeping underline.

Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Jill Simons, Board of Nursing