

March 4, 2020

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

Dear Representative Landwehr:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2681 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2681 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2681 would establish the Advisory Committee on Harm Reduction within the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). The purpose of the Committee would be to develop recommendations and advise KDHE on matters related to programs designed to reduce incidents of harm, including reducing the occurrences of infectious disease, a pandemic disease, or an epidemic disease. The Committee would consist of at least 11 members including:

1. Two public health specialists appointed by the Secretary of Health and Environment;
2. The State Epidemiologist;
3. One representative from law enforcement appointed by the Secretary of Health and Environment;
4. One representative from a public health department appointed by the Secretary of Health and Environment;
5. One physician appointed by the Secretary of Health and Environment;
6. One pharmacist appointed by the Secretary of Health and Environment;
7. One mental health provider appointed by the Secretary of Health and Environment;
8. One substance use disorder treatment provider appointed by the Secretary of Health and Environment;
9. One member appointed by the Speaker of the Kansas House of Representatives; and
10. One member appointed by the President of the Kansas Senate.

Members of the Committee would serve for three-year terms and the Committee would meet quarterly. Members would be eligible to receive reimbursement for actual expenses related to Committee duties. The provisions of HB 2681 would expire on July 1, 2025, unless reenacted by the Legislature.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2020 SGF	FY 2020 All Funds	FY 2021 SGF	FY 2021 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	--	\$81,687	\$81,687
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	1.00

Kansas Department of Health and Environment estimates the bill would require additional expenditures of \$81,687 from the State General Fund in FY 2021. The amount includes \$65,187 for the salaries and wages expenditures of 1.00 new FTE program manager position; \$1,500 for equipment; \$1,000 for printing costs; \$3,000 for phone, travel, office supplies and video conference communication costs; and \$11,000 for Advisory Committee on Harm Reduction member expenses (\$250 per member X 11 members X 4 meetings). KDHE estimates total costs would increase to \$83,321 in FY 2022. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2681 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Dan Thimmesch, Health & Environment