

February 14, 2019

The Honorable Gene Suellentrop, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
Statehouse, Room 441-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Suellentrop:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 120 by Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 120 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 120 would allow the Kansas Board of Healing Arts to provide a certificate of authorization for a business entity to practice medicine. The bill would require a business entity to apply for the certification biennially.

The Kansas Board of Healing Arts states that enactment of SB 120 could increase the responsibilities and workload for licensure and administrative staff. Enactment of the bill would also increase fee revenue. The Board has no way of predicting the number of business entities that would apply for this certification, therefore, an estimate of additional costs and revenues cannot be made.

Allowing business entities to practice medicine would require said entities to obtain malpractice coverage through the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The agency states that this could affect the fund either positively or negatively, depending on the level of assessments charged for the coverage and the number of claims paid on behalf of the entities. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 120 is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Beth Visocsy, Board of Healing Arts
Clark Shultz, Health Care Stabilization Fund