

January 23, 2020

The Honorable Bud Estes, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 136-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Estes:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 261 by Senator Faust-Goudeau

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 261 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 261 would enact the Roy' Ale Spencer Firearm Safety Act. The bill would establish guidelines for how a loaded firearm must be secured from a person under the age of 18 years. Violations of this Act would be a class C misdemeanor.

The Kansas Highway Patrol states that the enactment of this bill would have a negligible effect on its operations and could be absorbed within existing resources.

The League of Kansas of Municipalities indicates that the bill could increase costs to local law enforcement tasked with enforcing this Act. Prosecutorial costs could affect cities and district attorneys as cases against individuals are filed under the provisions of this Act. In addition, municipal courts could see increased costs to hear these cases. However, the number of incidents that would occur are unknown and therefore the fiscal impact cannot be determined.

The Kansas Association of Counties believes that offenses resulting from this bill would be rare and that the fiscal effect for counties would be negligible. The Office of the Attorney General states that passage of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on its operating expenditures. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 261 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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cc: Jay Hall, Association of Counties
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