

January 27, 2020

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

Dear Senator Suellentrop:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 280 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 280 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 280 would require hospitals to notify the following government authorities at least 90 days prior to closing or ceasing operations:

1. The governing body of the city where the hospital is located;
2. The board of county commissioners of the county where the hospital is located;
3. The board of education of the unified school district where the hospital is located;
4. The Governor; and
5. The Legislature.

The Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities indicate the notification requirement would not have a fiscal effect on counties or cities. Local governments could incur a fiscal effect if they choose to increase support for a closing hospital as a result of the notification. However, the fiscal effect is unknown. The Kansas Department of Health and Environment indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agency.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Jay Hall, Association of Counties  
Dan Thimmesch, Health & Environment  
Trey Cocking, League of Municipalities