

February 6, 2020

The Honorable Molly Baumgardner, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Education
Statehouse, Room 445B-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Baumgardner:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 337 by Senate Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 337 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the State Board of Education is required to provide the ACT college entrance exam and the ACT WorkKeys assessments to each public school student enrolled in grades 11 and 12, and the pre-ACT college entrance exam to each student enrolled in grade nine. SB 337 would define a “student” as any person who is regularly enrolled in any public or accredited nonpublic school in Kansas.

According to the Department of Education, the contract to provide the statutorily required college entrance exams for students enrolled in public schools currently costs \$2.8 million from the State General Fund in FY 2020 and FY 2021. The Department indicates that SB 337 would expand the college entrance exams to students attending accredited nonpublic schools in Kansas. The Department contacted the vendor providing the tests and found the existing contract would cover students attending accredited nonpublic schools in Kansas. As a result, enactment of the bill would not require additional funding from the State General Fund.

Sincerely,



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cc: Dale Dennis, Education