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The Honorable Fred Patton, Chairperson House Committee on Judiciary Statehouse, Room 582-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Patton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2527 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2527 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2527 would prohibit court service officers from supervising patients found not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect. Under current law, when a law enforcement officer takes a child under the age of 18 into custody without a court order, the child is required to be delivered to the child's parent or other custodian unless there are reasonable grounds to believe that would not be in the best interest of the child. If a child is not delivered to the child's parent or custodian, a child could be delivered to a court services officer. HB 2527 would remove the authority of a law enforcement officer to deliver a child to a court services officer.

The Office of Judicial Administration states enactment of HB 2527 could have a fiscal effect on Judicial Branch operations. The bill's provisions would prohibit court service officers from supervising certain patients, which could result in less supervision required to be performed by court service officers. The Office estimates enactment of the bill could result in a decrease of supervision fee revenue because of less supervision by court service officers. According to the Office, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2527 is not reflected in *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Vicki Jacobsen, Judiciary