

February 16, 2023

The Honorable Susan Concannon, Chairperson  
House Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 152-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Concannon:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2407 by House Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care

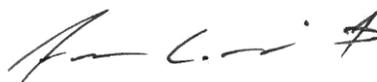
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2407 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, a nonacademic test (questionnaire, survey, or examination) containing any questions about the personal and private attitudes, values, beliefs, or practices of a student or family, friends or peers cannot be administered to any student in kindergarten through grade 12 unless the parent or guardian gives written consent. The parent has to be informed in writing not more than four months in advance of the administration of the test.

HB 2407 would amend current law to state that no test regarding personal beliefs could be given without each student being informed that participation is voluntary. In addition, the parent or guardian may opt out of the student participating in the test. In addition, the results of these types of tests would only be reported as aggregate data. The bill would specify that school counselors or other school-based health professionals would not be prohibited from providing counseling services to a student, including the administration of tests and forms. Any information obtained through the tests would not be permitted to be stored on personal devices, such as laptops, mobile phones, or tablets.

The Department of Education indicates the enactment of HB 2407 would have a negligible fiscal effect on administrative costs for school districts.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Craig Neuenswander, Education