

January 19, 2024

The Honorable Adam Thomas, Chairperson
House Committee on Education
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 218-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Thomas:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2480 by Representative Resman

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2480 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

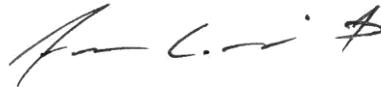
HB 2480 would require each Kansas school district to employ at least one staff member who has completed a comprehensive attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) professional development training program. The required training would be applicable to at least one of the following school staff: general education teacher, special education teacher, speech-language pathologist, occupational therapist, guidance counselor, or school psychologist. The bill would outline the requirements of the ADHD disorder training and would require the State Board of Education to identify and approve any training programs for use by school districts. The bill would allow the State Board of Education to adopt rules and regulations for this requirement.

The Department of Education indicates that the enactment of the bill would have a fiscal effect on the agency and potentially for school districts. For the Department, the agency would be required to investigate and approve ADHD professional development training programs, and school districts could incur costs for training staff. However, the Department cannot estimate these additional costs which would depend on the specific training programs evaluated.

The Kansas Association of School Boards (KASB) indicates that the required training would increase costs to school districts; however, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated. KASB notes that many of the specific job titles listed in HB 2480 are provided by special education cooperatives or interlocal organizations. Some of these cooperatives or interlocal organizations may already have ADHD training, but the staff are not specifically employed by a district. As a result, HB 2480 could result in duplicative spending to employ a staff member with this training when someone with the training may already be present in a school through a cooperative or interlocal

organization. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2480 is not reflected in *The FY 2025 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Angie Stallbaumer, Kansas Association of School Boards
Gabrielle Hull, Department of Education