

February 12, 2024

The Honorable Beverly Gossage, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 142-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Gossage:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 434 by Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

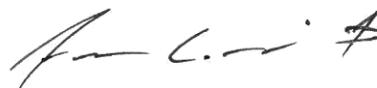
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 434 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 434 would exempt the practice of hair removal by sugaring from the definition of cosmetology. "Sugaring" would be defined as a method of temporary hair removal from the body by use of a paste made from sugar, lemon and water, or its equivalent, to pull hair from follicles.

The Department of Health and Environment would be required to add sugaring to its brochure on infection control techniques. The brochure would also contain a self-test with questions on the information contained in the brochure. An individual engaged in sugaring would be exempt from the practice of cosmetology and would complete the self-test available at the location where the individual is braiding hair or threading.

The Board of Cosmetology indicates SB 434 would not have a fiscal effect because the agency knows of only one individual that has approached the Board to practice sugaring. The Department of Health and Environment indicates it would use existing epidemiology staff to fully understand different methods of sugaring, to evaluate the opportunities for infectious diseases to be transmitted during the sugaring services, and to research and recommend appropriate infection control measures in consultation with staff from the Board of Cosmetology. In addition, costs associated with updating the brochure would be handled within the Department's existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 434 is not reflected in *The FY 2025 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Benjamin Foster, Board of Cosmetology  
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