

January 31, 2023

The Honorable Molly Baumgardner, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Education
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 144-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Baumgardner:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 98 by Senate Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 98 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

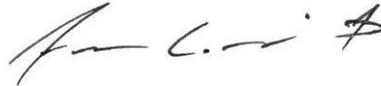
SB 98 would expand the Medical Student Loan Act and the Medical Residency Bridging Program to promote the practice of obstetrics and gynecology in underserved areas of the state. The bill would provide that a person would be deemed to have failed to complete service requirements or the provisions of a loan agreement if the person performs or induces, or attempts to perform, or induce an abortion except in the case of a medical emergency, as defined in KSA 65-6701. The bill would establish the OBGYN Medical Residency Bridging Fund and the OBGYN Medical Loan Repayment Fund in the State Treasury with amounts credited to each fund to be used only for medical student loans and residency bridging loan agreements. Expenditures from each fund would be made in accordance with appropriation acts using vouchers approved by the Chancellor of the University of Kansas or the Chancellor's designee. The bill would include technical amendments.

The University of Kansas Medical Center indicates enactment of SB 98 would require an additional \$57,327 per OBGYN medical student loan agreement and \$10,000 per OBGYN medical residency bridging loan agreement annually; however, payments would be subject to appropriations. Without additional state appropriation, the university indicates the expansion could reduce available awards that would have otherwise gone to students enrolled in primary care programs. The university estimates the bill's enactment would also increase annual expenditures

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by \$27,000 for an additional 0.40 FTE position to administer the program. The Division of the Budget notes each fund would need to be included in the appropriation bill so that the Medical Center could make expenditures as outlined in the bill.

Sincerely,

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

Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Jeff Dewitt, University of Kansas