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The Honorable Will Carpenter, Chairperson House Committee on Health and Human Services 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 112-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Carpenter:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2069 by House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2069 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2069 would enact the School Psychologist Compact to provide interstate practice privileges for school psychologists. The compact's intent would be to establish a pathway to allow school psychologists to obtain equivalent licenses to provide school psychological services in any member state.

According to the Department of Education, school psychologists currently are required to complete a two-year practicum to work in a school district; however, a school psychologist can work during one year of the practicum. With HB 2069, the compact would require school psychologists to complete a practicum before working in a school district. The Department would have to amend its current rules and regulations to comply with the compact in this area. Any additional cost would be negligible and could be absorbed with the agency's approved budget.

For school districts, because the compact would not allow a school psychologist to work during their practicum, the supply of school psychologists would be reduced for new staff entering the workforce because of the compact's requirement; however, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

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cc: Gabrielle Hull, Department of Education