

January 31, 2025

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

Dear Representative Estes:

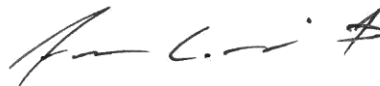
**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2103 by House Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2103 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, a local board of education is required to adopt rules for determination of a valid excuse for absence from school and the determination of what constitutes a “significant part of a school day.” HB 2103 would allow a “participation in a learning experience” that is approved in advanced would be a valid excuse for an absence. However, the local board of education may limit the number of absences that may be approved as a valid excuse through rules adopted by the board. The bill would state that a “learning experience” could include agricultural science activities, scheduled Future Farmers of America events not otherwise excused by a school district’s rules or policies, and 4-H programs that are part of organized competitions or events.

The enactment of HB 2103 would have no fiscal effect for the Department of Education. The bill would require administrative changes at the school district level; however, any fiscal effect would likely be negligible.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

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