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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Sean Tarwater, Chairperson House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 346-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Tarwater:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2123 by Representative Sawyer Clayton, et al.

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2123 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2123 would increase the minimum wage rate for employees receiving tips and gratuities from \$2.13 an hour to \$6.15 an hour.

The Kansas Department of Revenue states that there are an estimated 20,600 employees that would have increased wages as a result of enactment of HB 2123. This would increase taxable income by \$174.2 million, and at an effective tax rate of 2.1 percent this would increase revenue to the State General Fund by \$2.9 million in FY 2026 and \$3.6 million per year beginning in FY 2027. The agency estimates administrative expenditures would increase by \$1,340 due to enactment of the bill.

The Kansas Department of Labor notes that as the minimum wage increases, unemployment compensation taxes would increase, and this would eventually have a fiscal effect on the Unemployment Trust Fund, but a total fiscal effect could not be estimated. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2123 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dawn Palmberg, Department of Labor Lynn Robinson, Department of Revenue