

February 5, 2025

The Honorable Francis Averkamp, Chairperson  
House Committee on Welfare Reform  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 152-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Averkamp:

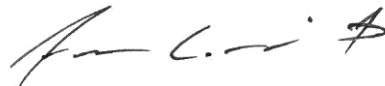
**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2178 by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2178 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2178 would remove the prohibition on persons convicted of a felony drug offense from being able to receive food assistance. The bill would also remove the requirements related to drug testing for food assistance eligibility. The bill would prohibit a person from being denied food assistance solely because of a drug related conviction has been added.

The Department for Children and Families indicates that enactment of HB 2178 would have a negligible fiscal effect on state expenditures or revenues. All Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits are 100.0 percent federally funded.

Sincerely,



Adam C. Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

cc: Kim Holter, Department for Children & Families