

February 16, 2025

The Honorable Cyndi Howerton, Chairperson  
House Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 152-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Howerton:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2302 by Representative Ousley

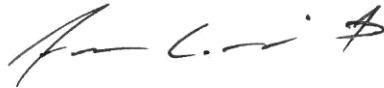
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2302 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2302 would require law enforcement officers to contact and consult with the Department for Children and Families (DCF) before taking a child into custody. The bill would require DCF to respond and consult with law enforcement outside of the DCF's operating hours and require DCF to provide operations to facilitate the response.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect			
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
<b>Expenditures</b>			
State General Fund	--	\$666,557	\$662,618
Fee Fund(s)	--	--	--
Federal Fund	--	25,826	25,673
Total Expenditures	--	\$692,383	\$688,291
<b>Revenues</b>			
State General Fund	--	--	--
Fee Fund(s)	--	--	--
Federal Fund	--	--	--
Total Revenues	--	--	--
FTE Positions	--	7.00	7.00

According to the DCF, HB 2302 would have a fiscal effect on expenditures of the agency. DCF states that police protective cases occur uniformly across a 24-hour day. DCF staff work eight out of 24 hours Monday through Friday and no hours Saturday and Sunday. DCF estimates that 1,765 of the 2,509 police protective custody cases occur outside working hours. DCF would require an additional 6.00 protective service workers and 1.00 supervisor at a total cost of \$692,383, including \$666,557 from the State General Fund for FY 2026 and would continue and be adjusted for salary, fringe benefits, and a slight reduction in other operating expenses in for one-time costs. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2302 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam C. Proffitt", followed by a stylized flourish.

Adam C. Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

cc: Kim Holter, Department for Children & Families