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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Troy Waymaster, Chairperson House Committee on Appropriations 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 112-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Waymaster:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2383 by House Committee on Appropriations

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2383 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2383 would require the Kansas Department of Administration, the Kansas Children's Cabinet, and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) to coordinate the establishment of a pilot program for providing health services to child care providers working in entities licensed by KDHE. The bill would include requirements for specific services and would direct the Children's Cabinet to seek grants to offset the costs of the program. The bill would also include provisions related to statewide uniform standards for licensed child care. The Secretary of Health and Environment would be required to develop and provide training programs at no cost to child care providers and licensees as detailed in the bill. The bill would also require the Secretary and the Children's Cabinet to develop a reimbursement program for costs to the licensees sent to in-person training and to seek necessary funding to match certain federal reimbursements as specified in the bill. A report on the reimbursement program would be required to be sent to the Legislature during the 2026 Legislative Session.

According to the Kansas State Department of Education, enactment of the HB 2383 would have a fiscal effect for the Children's Cabinet. The Children's Cabinet notes that they would need to devote staff time and resources but anticipates this requirement could be fulfilled without additional staff. The Children's Cabinet would be required to seek grant funding to fulfill requirements of the bill, but the agency is unable to determine if grant funding would be accessible. KDHE estimates that enactment of the bill would require \$76,000 from the State General Fund and an additional 1.00 position beginning in FY 2026 to oversee the development and implementation of appropriate training. This position would also ensure compliance with federal

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rules and regulations. The agency believes the training required by the bill could be offered via an existing KDHE system (KS Train).

The Kansas Department of Administration reports that the agency would be able to provide the services required by HB 2383 with current staffing. The agency does not anticipate any costs other than program fees, which they believe would be covered by grants obtained by the Children's Cabinet. The agency notes this conclusion was made after review of a similar program in place in Oklahoma, as well as a benefit plan currently available on the market. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2383 is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*.

The League of Kansas Municipalities states that enactment of the bill would not result in a fiscal effect for cities. The Kansas Association of Counties reports there could be a fiscal effect depending on changes to regulatory systems currently in place.

Sincerely,

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