

February 20, 2026

The Honorable Susan Humphries, Chairperson  
House Committee on Judiciary  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 582-N  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Humphries:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2720 by House Committee on Judiciary

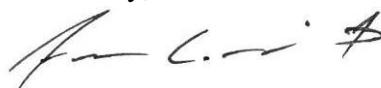
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2720 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2720 would enact the Kansas Surrogate Medical Decisions Act. The bill would establish a hierarchy for decision making authority for healthcare decisions on behalf of another. The preference would be as follows: an appointed guardian first, patient's agent if there is no appointed guardian, a designated surrogate if there is no guardian or agent, and an attending physician if none of the other options are reasonably available. The bill would make related definitions and detail each of the options.

The bill would also list limitations and restrictions on decision making, as well as certain requirements and authorities for those making decisions pursuant to the Act. The bill would also contain requirements for healthcare providers and medical care facilities regarding interpretation and execution of healthcare decisions. The bill would include civil and criminal immunity, as well as immunity from discipline for unprofessional conduct in some instances when healthcare decisions were made as specified.

The Kansas Guardianship Program states it is unlikely that enactment of HB 2720 would result in a fiscal effect for the agency. The Department for Children and Families does not anticipate that enactment of the bill would result in a fiscal effect for the agency.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Kim Holter, Department for Children & Families  
Nancy Mayberry, Kansas Guardianship Program