

February 13, 2025

The Honorable Kellie Warren, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 346-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Warren:

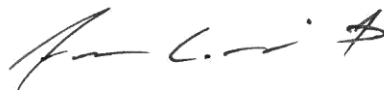
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 222 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 222 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 222 would specify that, in interpreting a state statute, rule and regulation, or document that has the force and effect of law, a state court or an officer hearing an administrative action, may consider but cannot defer to a state agency's interpretation of a statute, rule and regulation, or document. In an action brought by or against a state agency, a state court or an officer hearing an administrative action would be required to exercise any remaining doubt in favor of a reasonable interpretation that limits the state agency's powers and maximizes individual liberty.

The Office of Administrative Hearings and Department of Labor indicate enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on the agencies.

Sincerely,



Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Dawn Palmberg, Department of Labor
Loren Snell, Office of Administrative Hearings