

March 31, 2011

The Honorable Marc Rhoades, Chairperson
House Committee on Appropriations
Statehouse, Room 351-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Rhoades:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2400 by House Committee on Appropriations

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2400 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2400 would reduce the number of students who would be eligible for at-risk funding in the school finance formula. The bill would change the definition of an at-risk student to include only students in grades below fourth grade who are eligible for free meals, as well as pupils in fourth through twelfth grades who do not meet proficiency in math or reading assessments during the preceding school year.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2011 SGF	FY 2011 All Funds	FY 2012 SGF	FY 2012 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	--	(\$104,060,285)	(\$104,060,285)
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	--

With the current at-risk pupil definition, the Kansas Department of Education states that 179,658 students qualify for at-risk funding. The Department estimates that HB 2193 would reduce the number of students eligible for the at-risk weighting by 60,371 students. As a result, enactment of HB 2400 would reduce state aid by \$104,060,285 (\$3,780 base state aid per pupil X 60,371 students X .456 at-risk weighting), all from the State General Fund in FY 2012. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2193 is not reflected in *The FY 2012 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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cc: Dale Dennis, Education