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The Honorable David Crum, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 512-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Crum:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2127 by House Committee on Vision 2020

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2127 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2127 would amend the Kansas Pharmacy Act to prohibit any person from working as a pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee without first being registered with the Board of Pharmacy. The trainee eligibility requirements listed in the bill state that the applicant must:

1. Be of good moral character;

2. Be at least 18 years of age; and

3. Have a high school diploma or its equivalent.

In addition to the above, applicants for pharmacy technician must take and pass a national pharmacy technician certification examination approved by the Board and the certification must remain current. These requirements would be imposed upon new applicants who have not previously been registered as a pharmacy technician beginning July 1, 2015. Pharmacy technicians registered with the Board prior to July 1, 2008 would be grand-fathered in and could receive a waiver from obtaining the national certification. Pharmacy technician trainee registrations would expire 12 months from the date of registration.

The Board of Pharmacy indicates that passage of HB 2127 would create programming costs to modify its database for online applications, but is unable to provide an estimate. The

Board also indicates that the bill would create additional costs for pharmacy technicians or their employers for national certification examination fees and continuing education requirements.

Sincerely,

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cc: Debra Billingsley, Pharmacy