

March 24, 2014

The Honorable Ralph Ostmeyer, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs  
Statehouse, Room 136-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Ostmeyer:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 448 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 448 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 448 would amend current law regarding abortion regulations. The bill would include the following:

1. The term bodily function that currently appears in statute would no longer include mental or emotional functions;
2. The definition of medical emergency would include the condition that, in reasonable medical judgment, a serious risk of substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function would necessitate a termination of pregnancy;
3. The performance of an abortion under conditions of a medical emergency must comply with statutory requirements;
4. The statutory requirements for consent would not apply should a medical emergency exist; and,
5. The Women's Right to Know Act, as published by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, would be updated to reflect the changes in SB 448 regarding medical emergency and bodily function.

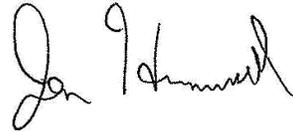
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The Kansas Department of Health and Environment has been contacted regarding the fiscal effect of SB 448; however, a response has not yet been received. Once the Division of the Budget receives information, a revised fiscal note will be issued.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon Hummell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "H".

Jon Hummell,  
Interim Director of the Budget

cc: Aaron Dunkel, KDHE