

January 28, 2015

The Honorable Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson  
House Committee on Health and Human Services  
Statehouse, Room 521-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hawkins:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2122 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2122 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2122 would amend current law regarding Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) who are licensed by the Board of Nursing. The bill would allow APRNs to prescribe drugs without protocol and would remove the requirement of a collaborative agreement with a physician. The bill would also require APRNs to carry malpractice insurance. HB 2122 would cause changes to other practice acts, such as the Pharmacy Act.

The Board of Nursing indicates that the only cost for the agency would be to revise regulations which would be done within existing resources. The bill would have a fiscal effect for APRNs who would have to purchase malpractice insurance. Currently, malpractice insurance coverage is not mandatory.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Blubaugh, Nursing