

March 24, 2015

The Honorable John Rubin, Chairperson
House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice
Statehouse, Room 151-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Rubin:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2339 by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2339 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2339 would amend the age limit applied in defining several sexual offenses by changing the age of the victim from 16 to 18 years old.

According to the Office of Judicial Administration, it is possible that some provisions could result in fewer cases being filed in the district and appellate courts while other provisions could result in more cases being filed. In either scenario, the bill could have an effect on the amount of time spent by judicial and non-judicial staff to process, research, and hear cases. However, it is not possible to predict the number of court cases that would be filed under HB 2339 or how complex and time-consuming they would be. Therefore, a precise fiscal effect cannot be determined.

The Kansas Sentencing Commission indicates that the bill would have no effect on prison admissions, bed space or the workload of the agency. Similarly, the Kansas Bureau of Investigation states that the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agency. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2339 is not reflected in *The FY 2016 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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cc: Scott Schultz, Sentencing Commission
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