

February 23, 2016

The Honorable Mario Goico, Chairperson  
House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security  
Statehouse, Room 276-W  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Goico:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2567 by House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2567 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, any member of the armed forces of the United States or the member's spouse or dependent children enrolled at a postsecondary institution in Kansas is deemed to be a resident of the state for purposes of tuition and fees. HB 2567, as amended by the House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security, would clarify that a veteran or the spouse or dependent of a veteran who was permanently stationed in Kansas during the veteran's service in the armed forces or who had established residency in Kansas prior to service in the armed forces and lived in Kansas at the time of enrollment would be eligible for in-state tuition.

Any person enrolled in a postsecondary educational institution at any time during school year 2015-2016 who paid non-resident tuition and fee rates would be entitled to reimbursement of the difference paid, if that person would have been entitled to in-state tuition and fee rates had the provisions of this bill been in effect.

Under HB 2567, as introduced, in-state tuition would be available for a veteran or the spouse or dependent of a veteran who was present in Kansas during the veteran's service in the armed forces for at least two years.

The Board of Regents indicates HB 2567, in any form, could have a fiscal effect on state universities, Washburn University, community colleges or technical colleges, if one is required to reimburse the amount of non-resident tuition paid by students during the 2015-2016 school year who would have been eligible for in-state tuition had the provisions of this bill been in effect.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Kelly Oliver, Board of Regents