

February 12, 2016

The Honorable Mark Hutton, Chairperson
House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development
Statehouse, Room 521-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hutton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2617 by House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2617 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the Secretary of Labor is required to appoint a medical administrator in the unclassified service to oversee the providing of health care services under the Workers Compensation Act. HB 2617 would allow the Secretary of Labor to contract with a medical administrator to provide these services and the medical administrator would no longer be required to be licensed to practice medicine and surgery in the state. The bill would also change the filing requirements for workers compensation claims to allow for the electronic filing of documents.

The Department of Labor indicates HB 2617 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Dawn Palmberg, Department of Labor