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The Honorable Jeff King, Chairperson Senate Committee on Judiciary Statehouse, Room 341-E Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator King:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 315 by Senator Faust-Goudeau

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 315 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 315 would limit the number of foster children that could be placed in a foster home to six, including the applicant's or licensee's own biological or adopted children under the age of 16, or more than four children in foster care. The limits in the bill could be temporarily waived in order to place a foster child in emergency foster care, not to exceed 30 days.

The passage of SB 315 would have no fiscal effect for the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. The Department for Children and Families indicates that the bill includes limits and exceptions already in agency regulations; any increase in costs, therefore, would be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 315 is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

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cc: Jackie Aubert, Children & Families
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