

March 14, 2016

The Honorable Gregory Smith, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice  
Statehouse, Room 441-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Smith:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 503 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 503 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 503 would require the Secretary of Corrections to promulgate rules and regulations establishing a program to incentivize judicial districts to unify community corrections and court services in order to provide the services through one agency and reduce long-term administrative costs. The program could include providing grants to judicial districts, subject to appropriations, to encourage unification. The bill would also require the Secretary to develop a plan for the permanent unification of community corrections and court services and make a report to the 2017 Legislature.

The Kansas Department of Corrections states SB 503 would require the agency to develop a plan to incentivize judicial districts to unify community corrections and courts services. Since the plan has not yet been developed, the agency indicates it does not have enough information to estimate a fiscal effect.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates enactment of SB 503 could have a fiscal effect upon the Judicial Branch, depending on the plan that would be developed to unify community corrections and court services. However, the Office does not have enough information to estimate a fiscal effect for the Juridical Branch.

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The Kansas Association of Counties indicates enactment of SB 503 could result in lower expenditures for Kansas Counties; however, the Association is unable to estimate a fiscal effect. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 503 is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Adam Pfannenstiel, Corrections  
Ashley Michaelis, Judiciary  
Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties