

March 14, 2016

The Honorable Ty Masterson, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Statehouse, Room 545-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Masterson:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 504 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 504 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 504 would establish the Parole and Community Corrections Nursing Home Task Force. The Task Force would consist of eleven members as follows:

1. Three members appointed by the Secretary of Corrections, including the Chairperson of the Task Force;
2. Three members appointed by the Secretary of the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services;
3. One member appointed by the Prisoner Review Board;
4. One member who is a director of a community corrections program appointed by the Governor;
5. The Chairperson of the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice or the Chairperson's designee;
6. The Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice or the Chairperson's designee; and
7. One member appointed by the Attorney General.

Task Force members would be appointed on or before August 1, 2016, and the first meeting would take place by September 1, 2016. The Task Force would review and study the feasibility of housing aging and frail populations of the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) in a specialized nursing home setting. The Task Force would submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the 2017 Legislature. The report would include the following:

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1. The feasibility of shifting the health and behavior care cost of aging and frail inmates to Medicare, Medicaid, or private health insurance through the use of a specialized nursing home setting;
2. Identification of the target population to receive a medical parole status and appropriate criteria for inmates to be reasonably housed in a specialized nursing home setting;
3. A determination of the level of security required in the specialized nursing home setting to ensure a low level of risk to communities, inmates, staff, and other facility residents; and
4. Legislative changes or executive action necessary to carry out the recommendations of the Task Force.

If approved by the Legislative Coordinating Council, Task Force members would receive subsistence allowances and mileage. The provisions of SB 504 would expire on June 30, 2017.

Legislative Administrative Services estimates enactment of SB 504 would result in additional State General Fund expenditures of \$4,339 per meeting in FY 2017. Of that amount, \$178 would be for the salaries of two members of the Legislature (\$89 x 2 legislators); \$318 for miscellaneous legislative costs (\$159 x 2 legislators); \$268 for one committee assistant; \$1,540 for subsistence (11 members x \$140); \$1,485 for mileage (11 members x 250 miles x \$.54); and \$550 for miscellaneous operating expenses (11 members x \$50). The Office of the Attorney General and KDOC state that any additional expenditures resulting from the enactment of SB 504 could be absorbed within existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 504 is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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cc: Willie Prescott, Attorney General's Office
Adam Pfannenstiel, Corrections
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