

April 4, 2017

Rep. Waymaster and members of the House Appropriations Committee:

The Department of Administration is supportive of the concept of offering a health clinic for state employees within the greater capitol complex. The health clinic would help further the wellness goals promoted by the State Employee Health Plan and the Health Care Commission. The service would be a benefit to employees to decrease the amount of leave time an employee currently utilizes to receive medical care and reduce lost work productivity.

The Department is ready to develop a request for proposal that incorporates the requirements as set out in the bill as drafted. We would like to see some flexibility to allow for a negotiated procurement pursuant to K.S.A. 75-37,102. Additionally, the Department suggests that the request for proposal provide for some flexibility as to the location of the clinic in order to identify the most cost effective option.

The Department will assist Legislature in any way possible to develop the health care clinic for state employees as we believe that there will be benefits to our employees and to the state.

Sincerely,

Sarah L. Shipman

Secretary of Administration