March 4, 2020

The Honorable Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 352C-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Landwehr:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2692 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2692 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2692 would create the Division of Emergency Medical Services within the Department of Health and Environment and transfer all powers, duties, functions, rules and regulations, directives, and orders of the Board of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to the Secretary of Health and Environment in FY 2021. The balances of all funds or accounts and all employees and officers of the Board of EMS would also be transferred to the Department of Health and Environment. The bill would also change the function of the Board from a policy making board to an advisory board that would advise the Secretary on issues related to EMS in Kansas.

The Board of EMS and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) indicate that enactment of the bill would likely have a net-zero effect on statewide expenditures and revenues because all reductions from the Board of EMS would be shown as additions to KDHE in FY 2021. Assuming the current officers and employees of the Board of EMS would remain in their office space at the Landon State Office Building, KDHE indicates that transferring the powers, duties, and functions of the Board to a new division of the agency would not result in any additional expenditures for moving and equipment. The Board of EMS and KDHE indicate that there could be overarching administrative costs related to creating and operating a fourth division within KDHE, but that their fiscal effect cannot be estimated. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2692 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Joe House, EMS
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