

February 24, 2020

The Honorable Fred Patton, Chairperson  
House Committee on Judiciary  
Statehouse, Room 519C-N  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Patton:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2693 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2693 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2693 would enact the Jeff Kudlacik Act. The bill would create a cause of action for an injured person to bring against a person who sold or provided alcohol to a person who became intoxicated. Also, the bill would place on the provider of alcohol the duty of reasonable care to prevent the intoxicated person from causing injury. Recovery could include economic, noneconomic, and exemplary damages. A claim brought under the bill's provisions would survive death.

The Office of Judicial Administration states enactment of HB 2693 could increase the number of cases filed in district court because it would allow for a civil suit to be filed, which would result in more time spent by court employees and judges processing and deciding these cases. According to the Office, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated until the Judicial Branch has had an opportunity to operate under the bill's provisions. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2693 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Campbell  
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary  
Lynn Robinson, Department of Revenue