

January 30, 2021

The Honorable Russell Jennings, Chairperson
House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice
Statehouse, Room 151B-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Jennings:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2121 by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

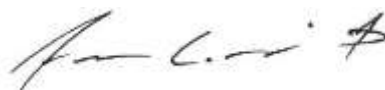
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2121 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2121 would define “absconding from supervision” as it relates to defendants in criminal procedure as intentionally making the defendant’s whereabouts unknown to their supervising court services officer or community correctional services officer.

The Kansas Sentencing Commission states that enactment of HB 2121 may have an impact on prison admissions and bed space, but that this effect cannot be determined at this time. The current estimated available bed capacity is 9,420 for males and 948 for females. Based upon the Commission’s most recent ten-year projection contained in its *FY 2020 Adult Inmate Prison Population Projections* report, it is estimated that the year-end population for available male capacity will be under capacity by 1,287 inmates in FY 2021 and 1,241 inmates in FY 2022.

The Department of Corrections indicates enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect. The Office of Judicial Administration states enactment of the bill would have a negligible fiscal effect that could be absorbed within existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2121 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor’s Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Randy Bowman, Corrections
Scott Schultz, Sentencing Commission
Debbie Thomas, Judiciary