

January 28, 2021

The Honorable John Barker, Chairperson
House Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 285A-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Barker:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2088 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

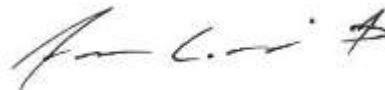
In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2088 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2088 would require either the Department for Children and Families or law enforcement to make visual observation of an alleged child victim in a child protection investigation. In the case of a joint investigation, both the agency and law enforcement would be required to make a visual observation.

The Department for Children and Families, the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, the Office of Judicial Administration, the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services, and the Kansas Department of Corrections indicate that enactment of HB 2088 would not have a fiscal effect on their respective agencies.

The Attorney General's Office indicates that the bill could result in additional criminal cases being referred to the Office for prosecution. However, the fiscal effect cannot be estimated because cases are referred at the discretion of local county or district attorneys and it is unknown how many cases would be referred. The Kansas Association of Counties states that the bill would have a negligible fiscal effect on counties. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2088 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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