

February 18, 2021

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

Dear Representative Landwehr:

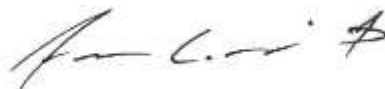
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2385 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2385 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2385 would authorize a pharmacist to test or screen for and initiate therapy for a patient in compliance with statewide protocols adopted by the Board of Pharmacy for influenza, strep, COVID-19, prophylaxis, or another waived test for clinical laboratory improvement amendments. The bill would require the Board to establish all statewide protocols and place enforcement authority under the Board.

In HB 2385, the Board of Pharmacy would be responsible for developing the statewide protocol and drafting, publishing, and adopting any administrative regulations. Although, the Board indicates that enactment of the bill would likely increase staff time necessary to carry out the requirements, the requirements could be completed by the Board's current staff and are within the Board's current expertise due to the prevalence of similar statewide protocols used in other states. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2385 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Adam Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Alexandra Blasi, Board of Pharmacy