

February 19, 2021

The Honorable Robert Olsen, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Commerce  
Statehouse, Room 236A-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Olsen:

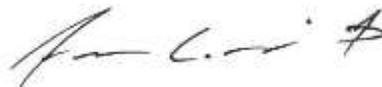
**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 163 by Senate Committee on Commerce

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 163 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, an individual who has made false representations on the individual's claim for unemployment benefits is disqualified from receiving benefits for five years. SB 163 would disqualify an individual who makes false representations on the individual's claim for five years or until the individual repays any overpayment, penalty and interest, whichever occurs earlier.

According to the Kansas Department of Labor, the bill could encourage individuals to repay overpayments of unemployment benefits, which would have a fiscal effect on the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund. The Department is unable to estimate what the fiscal effect would be, but the agency anticipates it would not be substantial. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 163 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Adam Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

cc: Dawn Palmberg, Department of Labor