

February 6, 2023

The Honorable Francis Averkamp, Chairperson  
House Committee on Welfare Reform  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 152-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Averkamp:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2239 by House Committee on Welfare Reform

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2239 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2239 would remove the requirement for continuing education by a person, board, commission, or similar body that determines the qualifications of individuals for licensure, certification, or registration in Kansas if the licensee self-certifies that the licensee has worked at least 1,000 hours in the prior year in the lawful profession.

The Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board (BSRB) indicates that HB 2239 would decrease revenue for the Board as it is assumed that with fewer individuals needing to take and demonstrate completion of continuing education hours, there would be fewer providers of continuing education courses, resulting in fewer applicants to the BSRB to become a pre-approved provider or for a course to be pre-approved by the BSRB.

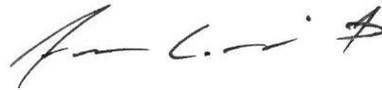
The Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN) tracks the license renewals to ensure the completion of Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) exam has been completed. The licensee attests on their licensure renewal application that 30 hours of CNE has been completed before renewal of their license. KSBN has automated applications that are part of its licensing software to help track and renew licenses. HB 2239 would require KSBN to revise its renewal applications for all the disciplines it regulates. The Board would need to add the information in which licensees attest if they have performed not less than 1,000 hours in their licensed discipline during their current license period (two-year period). This would require some changes in the Board's licensing software, which may require some vendor time. KSBN would have some staff time involved in changing some processes within the agency and the revision of rules and regulations. The Board

estimates that expenditures could increase up to \$5,000 from the fee fund and would reduce fee fund revenue by \$9,700.

The Kansas Board of Healing Arts, the Kansas Board of Pharmacy, and the Kansas Board of Mortuary Arts indicate that HB 2239 could result in additional complaints and possible litigation, but the fiscal effect is unknown.

The Kansas Board of Accountancy, the Kansas Dental Board, the Kansas Board of Cosmetology, the Kansas Board of Barbering, the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, the Department for Children and Families, the Kansas Department of Education, and the Office of Judicial Administration indicate that HB 2239 would have no fiscal effect on the agencies, respectively. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2239 is not reflected in *The FY 2024 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Proffitt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Adam Proffitt  
Director of the Budget

cc: Cassiopeia Capps, Board of Barbering  
David Fye, Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board  
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