

January 29, 2024

The Honorable Susan Humphries, Chairperson
House Committee on Judiciary
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 582-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Humphries:

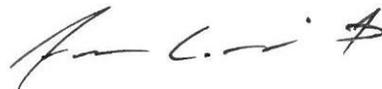
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2557 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2557 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

The bill would amend the definition of “peer support counseling session.” Currently, the definition means any session conducted by a peer support specialist who is called or requested in response to a critical incident or traumatic event involving the personnel of a law enforcement agency, an emergency services provider, or the Kansas National Guard. The bill would now apply to those who are contacted regarding a critical incident; traumatic event; professional; personal or social problem; or difficult life event where peer counseling assistance and guidance would benefit members of the law enforcement agency, emergency services provider, or the Kansas National Guard, regardless of how the specialist is contacted, whether the session is conducted in a group or private setting, where the session is requested or conducted, or whether the session is conducted using electronic communication.

The Emergency Medical Services Board, the Kansas Bureau of Investigations, the Kansas Highway Patrol, and the Adjutant General’s Department state that enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



Adam C. Proffitt
Director of the Budget

cc: Michael Neth, Office of the Adjutant General
Paul Weisgerber, Kansas Bureau of Investigation
Sherry Macke, Kansas Highway Patrol
Joe House, Emergency Medical Services Board