

March 10, 2006

The Honorable Jim Morrison, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 143-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Morrison:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2977 by House Committee on Appropriations

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2977 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2977 would require the Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office (KSFM) to provide opportunities for joint education in fire prevention and the Kansas Fire Prevention Code. The training would be made available to personnel from the KSFM, adult care homes, medical care facilities, and other providers of medical or mental healthcare services who desire such training.

The KSFM states that passage of this bill would require an additional 2.00 FTE positions, including equipment and supplies for those positions, at a total cost of \$90,982. The 2.00 positions would be a Public Information Officer I and an Administrative Specialist. However, because of the difficulty of judging the effect on administrative processes for new responsibilities without the benefit of actual experience, the fiscal effect could vary from this amount. The assumptions used could produce a fiscal effect at the upper end of a range that would be a reasonable estimate of the cost. Assuming that some of the increased workload could be performed by existing staff or that the new responsibilities may not be as extensive as assumed, the bill could require fewer resources to implement than the \$90,982 stated

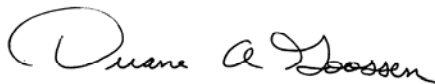
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above. Any fiscal effect resulting from the passage of this bill would be in addition to amounts included in *The FY 2007 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Duane A. Goossen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Duane A. Goossen
Director of the Budget

cc: Aaron Dunkel, Health & Environment
Barbara Conant, Department on Aging
Beth Fenske, Fire Marshal's Office