February 25, 2019

The Honorable John Barker, Chairperson
House Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 285-N
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Barker:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2326 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2326 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2326 would provide an exception to the crime of criminal carrying of a weapon. Criminal carrying of a weapon is knowingly carrying any pistol, revolver, or other firearm concealed on one’s person if the individual is under 21 years of age, except when on the individual’s land, abode, or fixed place of business. Under the bill, this provision would not apply to any individual who possesses a valid license to carry a concealed firearm that was issued by another jurisdiction and is recognized in Kansas.

The bill would also provide that a valid license or permit to carry a concealed firearm issued by another jurisdiction would be recognized in Kansas, but only while the holder is not a resident of Kansas. A valid license or permit that is recognized in Kansas would only entitle the lawful holder to carry concealed handguns in Kansas and the holder would be required to act in accordance with the laws of Kansas while in the state. The recognition of a license or permit would not be construed to impose a general prohibition on the carrying of handguns without such license, whether carried openly or concealed, or loaded or unloaded.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates enactment of HB 2326 would have a negligible fiscal effect on the operations of the Judicial Branch. The Office of the Attorney General states enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on agency operations. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2326 is not reflected in The FY 2020 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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cc: Janie Harris, Judiciary
    Jay Hall, Association of Counties
    Chardae Caine, League of Municipalities
    Willie Prescott, Office of the Attorney General