January 30, 2020

The Honorable Rick Wilborn, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 541C-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Wilborn:

SUBJECT:  Fiscal Note for SB 311 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 311 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 311 would eliminate the threshold requirements of an electronic recording made in the room of a resident of an adult care facility that is being offered into evidence in a court proceeding. The bill would also set the penalties for tampering with the recording device.

The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services indicates that SB 311 would not have a fiscal effect on the agency. The Office of Judicial Administration indicates that SB 311 could increase expenditures through the admission of additional evidence into cases and increasing the time spent by district court judicial personnel on cases. However, the Office is unable to estimate the amount of time needed for each case. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 311 is not reflected in The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary
    Connie Hubbell, Aging & Disability Services