February 14, 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 371 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 371 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, notices offering help to human trafficking victims must be accessible on the official websites of the Office of the Attorney General, the Department for Children and Families and the Department of Labor. Current law also allows, but does not require, notices to be posted in workplaces. SB 371 would require notices offering help to human trafficking victims to be posted in any place required to post notices under the Kansas Act Against Discrimination; the Kansas Age Discrimination in Employment Act; the Kansas Child Labor Law; the Employment Security Law; or the Workers Compensation Act. The bill would also require the notices to be placed in public places including sexually oriented businesses; massage parlors; health care facilities; convenience stores and truck stops; and rest areas and visitor centers under state supervision or control.

The Office of the Attorney General estimates the bill would require additional printing and postage expenditures from the State General Fund ranging from $2,990 to $6,590 for FY 2020 and FY 2021. For the printing costs, the Office indicates that it currently provides a digital poster containing the information required in SB 371 that can be downloaded and printed. While the bill does not require the Office to provide printed copies of the notice, the Office anticipates the bill would increase requests for printed copies of the poster. The Office estimates printing costs would range between $990 for 10,000 posters to $1,590 for 25,000 posters. The Office estimates postage costs would range between $2,000 and $5,000. If SB 371 is enacted, the Office would begin printing and distributing posters in FY 2020 in preparation for the July 1, 2020 effective date. Printing and distribution of the notices would continue in FY 2021. It is likely that demand for posters would decrease in the out years to the extent full circulation is achieved.
The provision in the bill requiring notices to be posted in state sponsored rest areas and visitor centers could require additional expenditures from the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) if the agency is required to print the notices. KDOT estimates postage costs could range from $12.99 to $1,234.50, depending on the size of the notice. All expenditures would be from the State Highway Fund. KDOT indicates it would be able to absorb any additional expenditures within its current expenditure limitation on operations.

The Department of Labor and the Kansas Human Rights Commission indicate the bill would have no fiscal effect on their respective agencies. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 371 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor’s Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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