March 14, 2022

The Honorable John Barker, Chairperson
House Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 346-S
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Barker:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2717 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2717 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2717 would prohibit a municipality from enacting, implementing, or enforcing an ordinance, resolution, rule, or policy that prohibits or restricts a law enforcement officer, local official, or local government employee from communicating or cooperating with federal officials. The bill would also prohibit municipalities from preventing law enforcement officers from sending or receiving information from the United States Department of Homeland Security; obtaining or maintaining information; and exchanging information with another federal, state, or local government entity. The bill would also prohibit a municipality from restricting the enforcement of federal immigration laws and would require every law enforcement agency to provide all law enforcement officers a written notice regarding certain aspects of immigration enforcement. The Attorney General, county attorney, or district attorney may bring an action in court to compel compliance with the bill. The bill would also prohibit a municipal identification card from being used to satisfy any requirement of state law for proof of identify and would require each municipal identification card to state “Not valid for state ID.”

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates enactment of the bill could increase the number of cases filed in district courts because it allows the attorney general, county attorney, or district attorney to bring an action to compel compliance. This, in turn, would increase the time spent by district court judicial and nonjudicial personnel in processing, researching, and hearing cases. The bill would also result in the collection of additional docket fees in cases filed under the provisions of the bill. However, a fiscal effect cannot be determined because the number of additional cases cannot be estimated.
The Office of the Attorney General indicates that any legal actions brought by it as a result of enactment of the bill could be handled within existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2717 is not reflected in The FY 2023 Governor’s Budget Report.

The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates that enactment of the bill could increase expenditures for cities to comply with the provisions of the bill. However, a fiscal effect cannot be determined. The Kansas Association of Counties indicates the bill would not have a fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

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    Vicki Jacobsen, Judiciary
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