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The Honorable Molly Baumgardner, Chairperson Senate Committee on Education 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 144-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Baumgardner:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 475 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 475 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 475 would change current law regarding school district open enrollment. The bill would eliminate school district open enrollment requirements that were enacted by the 2022 and 2023 Legislatures and would allow districts to determine nonresident student enrollment.

The Department of Education reports that the enactment of SB 475 would have no fiscal effect on statewide calculations for state aid to school districts. The bill could change a district's nonresident enrollment numbers; however, the fiscal effect on individual school districts cannot be estimated. In addition, the Department states that the bill would remove school district reporting requirements that are in current law. However, the fiscal effect for the reduced administrative requirements for both the Department and school districts cannot be estimated.

The Kansas Association of School Boards reports that the enactment of the bill would revert districts to prior nonresident student enrollment policies. There would be fewer administrative costs with these prior policies than with the current open enrollment statutes; however, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

Sincerely,

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