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The Honorable Beverly Gossage, Chairperson Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 142-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Gossage:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 556 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 556 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 556 would amend the Kansas Silver Alert Plan. Currently, the Plan only applies to missing elderly persons. Under the bill, the Plan would include a missing person who is 18 years of age or older and has been diagnosed with an intellectual disability, whose whereabouts are unknown, is believed to be in imminent danger of serious bodily injury or death because of their disability and is believed to be unable to return to safety without assistance.

The Kansas Bureau of Investigation reports that the bill would create additional work for the employees that coordinate these alerts. Because the agency cannot estimate how many times per year alerts would be issued, a precise fiscal effect cannot be estimated. However, the agency believes that any additional workload could be provided with existing staff and no additional funds would be required.

The Kansas Highway Patrol and the Office of the Attorney General both state that the bill would not have a fiscal effect. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 556 is not reflected in *The FY 2025 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties states that the bill could result in more alerts being issued. The Association states that it cannot estimate whether there would be an increase in expenditures for local governments and therefore a precise fiscal effect cannot be estimated. The

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League of Kansas Municipalities states that the bill would increase costs for law enforcement agencies to train and enforce the provisions of the bill; however, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

Sincerely,

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