

January 24, 2011

The Honorable Clay Aurand, Chairperson
House Committee on Education
Statehouse, Room 174-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Aurand:

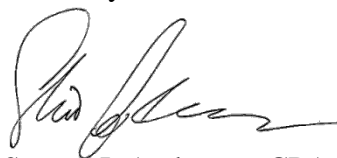
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2016 by Special Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2016 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the bilingual education weighting in the school finance formula is computed by taking the full-time equivalent enrollment of students in approved bilingual education programs and multiplying this amount by 0.395. HB 2016 would change the weighting formula by taking the headcount of pupils of a district who are enrolled in programs of bilingual education and multiplying this amount by 0.2.

According to the Kansas Department of Education, enactment of HB 2016 would have a negligible fiscal effect on state aid. However, the bill's enactment would cause a shift in state aid among districts, with some districts receiving more aid and others less aid.

Sincerely,



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cc: Dale Dennis, Education