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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Anthony Brown, Chairperson House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development Statehouse, Room 151-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Brown:

## SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2510 by House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2510 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2510 would amend the Prison-Made Goods Act by prohibiting the Department of Corrections from establishing or maintaining a home building program which produces manufactured or modular homes and which would compete with private manufacturers and dealers of manufactured or modular homes.

According to the Department of Corrections, passage of HB 2510 would have no fiscal effect. However, the bill could result in reduced trade skills for offenders, which could lead to decreased employment opportunities for offenders upon release from prison. Offenders who are unable to attain post-incarceration employment may be at a greater risk to reoffend and return to the corrections system.

Sincerely,

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