February 16, 2011

The Honorable Vicki Schmidt, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare
Statehouse, Room 552-S
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Schmidt:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 133 by Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 133 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 133 would enact the Kansas Health Information Technology and Exchange Act. This would enact state privacy provisions similar to those contained in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) to protect patient information held by and accessed through a Health Information Organization.

Passage of the bill would have no fiscal effect on the Insurance Department, the Health Policy Authority or the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Sincerely,

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