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The Honorable Pete Brungardt, Chairperson Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs Statehouse, Room 136-E Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Brungardt:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 262 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 262 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 262 would require the court to give preference to the grandparent when evaluating what custody, visitation, or residency arrangements are in the best interests of a child who has been removed from the custody of the parent. The bill would require the court to consider factors such as the wishes of the parents, child, and grandparent and the extent to which the grandparent has cared for the child.

Passage of SB 262 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

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