

February 13, 2014

The Honorable Connie O'Brien, Chairperson
House Committee on Children and Seniors
Statehouse, Room 187-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative O'Brien:

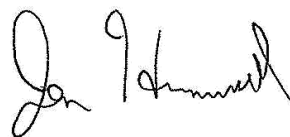
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2577 by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2577 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2577 would amend the Newborn Infant Protection Act to clarify that a parent or custodian who is abandoning an infant to an employee of a fire station, city or county health department, or medical care facility can remain anonymous. The bill would also allow the person or facility receiving the child to maintain the anonymity of the parent or custodian as long as evidence of child abuse does not exist. The person or facility receiving the child would be protected from all civil or criminal actions.

The Department for Children and Families states that passage of HB 2577 would not increase the number of children receiving foster care services and would not change state revenues or expenditures.

Sincerely,



Jon Hummell,
Interim Director of the Budget

cc: Jackie Aubert, DCF
Willie Prescott, Attorney General's Office