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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Mario Goico, Chairperson House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security Statehouse, Room 276-W Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Goico:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2581 by House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2581 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2581 would amend existing law concerning data collection and management by the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs to require the agency to provide a written report to the House Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security and to the Governor, on or before the first day of each Legislative Session beginning in 2015. The report would detail the progress made by the agency in response to the recommendations made by the Division of Legislative Post Audit in May 2013. In addition, the report would provide information about the current financial control practices, policies, and procedures implemented by the agency for the Kansas Soldiers Home and Kansas Veterans Home. The report would also contain information concerning the current residential care services provided at each Home, as well as any recommendations the agency may have for legislation necessary to ensure that the needs of veterans in Kansas are met.

According to the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs, passage of HB 2581 would have no fiscal effect. The requirements of the bill could be fulfilled within existing agency resources.

Sincerely,

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cc: Kafer Peele, KCVA