March 12, 2014

The Honorable Ty Masterson, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Statehouse, Room 545-S
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Masterson:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 430 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 430 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 430 would exempt certain teacher licensure applicants from completing a teacher preparation program prior to licensure if the applicant: (1) holds a valid teaching license from another jurisdiction and has obtained the required scores on the Praxis series tests; (2) has obtained an industry-recognized certificate in a technical profession with at least five years of work experience in that profession and has secured a commitment from a local board of education to be hired as a career technical education teacher for that profession; or (3) has obtained at least a bachelor’s degree in science, technology, engineering, or math, and has at least five years of work experience in that subject area and has secured commitment from a local board of education to be hired as a teacher in that subject area.

According to the Kansas Department of Education, enactment of SB 430 would have no fiscal effect. The agency’s current staff would be able to handle the additional workload resulting from this bill.

Sincerely,

Jon Hummell,
Interim Director of the Budget

cc:  Dale Dennis, Education