

March 4, 2015

The Honorable Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson  
House Committee on Health and Human Services  
Statehouse, Room 521-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hawkins:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2172 by Representative Whipple

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2172 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2172 would require that a sponsor of a nurse aide training program request from the Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) a criminal history record check on all applicants. The criminal history record information check would have to be completed before the applicant could attend training. If the applicant does not pass the record check, according to specifications in the bill, the sponsor would have to deny entry into the program and return any fees paid to the training program.

Under current law KDADS performs a criminal record name check upon employment or potential employment by a nursing facility. HB 2172 would require KDADS to perform this check prior to an applicant being admitted to a training program. The number of new nurse aides certified each year is approximately 7,000. The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) provides the name checks to KDADS for \$7 per person, for a total cost per year of approximately \$49,000. The Department estimates that 20.0 percent of these applicants would have some type of criminal history that would require KDADS to mail information about to the requesting sponsor. The cost to mail this information to the sponsors is estimated at \$800. The total estimated increase in expenditures would be \$49,800. The bill would allow KDADS to charge the sponsors no more than \$10 for each applicant checked which would be sufficient to cover KDADS additional expenditures. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2172 is not reflected in *The FY 2016 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

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