March 2, 2015

The Honorable Ronald Highland, Chairperson
House Committee on Education
Statehouse, Room 561-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Highland:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2266 by House Committee on Appropriations

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2266 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2266 would require postsecondary education institutions to adopt a policy on sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking. The policy would include affirmative consent as being the responsibility of each person. The bill provides detail on the meaning and circumstances of consent. The board of a postsecondary educational institution would have to adopt detailed and victim-centered policies and protocols that comport with best practices and current professional standards. The bill details the minimum policies and protocols that would have to be addressed. In addition, the board of a postsecondary educational institution would have to have a comprehensive prevention and outreach programs also on sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking.

The Board of Regents notes that the passage of HB 2266 would have a fiscal effect on state universities, Washburn University, community colleges, and technical colleges. Many of the bill’s requirements are currently in practice at postsecondary educational institutions in order to maintain eligibility for federal Title IV funding. Implementation of the affirmative consent rule is not in current policy and Board cannot determine the fiscal effect of its implementation. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2266 is not reflected in The FY 2016 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Kelly Oliver, Regents