February 16, 2015

The Honorable Jeff King, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 341-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator King:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 157 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 157 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 157 would clarify that the child in need of care code prohibits any person from compelling a parent to medicate a child if the parent is acting in accordance with medical advice from a physician. Such acts would require showing a causal relation between parental actions and any harm to the child that could occur before the child could be removed from the home, found to be a child in need of care, or have parental rights terminated.

SB 157 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc:  Mary Rinehart, Judiciary
     Jackie Aubert, Children & Families