February 23, 2015

The Honorable Gregory Smith, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice
Statehouse, Room 441-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Smith:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 222 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 222 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 222 would expand the crime of creating a hazard by making it a violation to recklessly expose, abandon or leave any dangerous weapon in a place accessible to children. The penalty for this crime would be a class A nonperson misdemeanor. The bill would also increase the penalty for recklessly exposing, abandoning or leaving any explosive or dangerous substance in locations accessible to children from a class B nonperson misdemeanor to a class A nonperson misdemeanor.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates that SB 222 would not affect Judicial Branch expenditures. The bill could create additional docket fee and fine revenue if more cases are filed because of the bill; however, it is estimated that any increase in revenues would be negligible.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary