January 26, 2017

The Honorable John Barker, Chairperson
House Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 285-N
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Barker:

SUBJECT:  Fiscal Note for HB 2074 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2074 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the governing body or chief administrative officer of a state or municipal-owned medical care facility, a state or municipal-owned adult care home; a community mental health center; an indigent health care clinic; or a postsecondary education institutions may exempt any building or public area until July 1, 2017, from allowing concealed handguns in state or municipal buildings without adequate security measures.  HB 2074 would remove the sunset date of the exemption.

According to the Board of Regents, it is assumed that postsecondary educational institutions would chose to continue current policies regarding carrying concealed handguns on campus, therefore, HB 2074 would not have a fiscal effect on universities.

The League of Kansas Municipalities indicates that the bill would reduce costs for cities that were planning to adopt adequate security measures for certain buildings prior to the end of the exemption. However the precise fiscal effect is unknown because the League does not currently possess data on all cities whose expenditures would be affected from the passage of the bill.

The Office of the Attorney General anticipates that it would receive an increase to the number of notices from state or municipal governing bodies or chief administrative officers
seeking permanent exemptions. This would create an additional workload for Office employees; however, it is estimated that it could be handled within existing staff. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2074 is not reflected in The FY 2018 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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