January 24, 2018

The Honorable Russell Jennings, Chairperson
House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice
Statehouse, Room 151-S
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Representative Jennings:

    SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2453 by Joint Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice Oversight

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2453 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

    HB 2453 would allow the assessment of a fee not to exceed $100 as part of the application for an adjudicated juvenile to participate in an immediate intervention program. The fee would be determined by the appropriate juvenile corrections advisory board in each judicial district. The bill would also allow juveniles who are unable to pay the fee to pay a portion of the fee or participate in community service activities or both to satisfy the obligation.

    If a county imposes an application fee to participate in an immediate intervention program, the bill would specify that the fees would be used to supplement existing grant monies and could not be used to offset the amount of the grant made to the county by the Secretary of Corrections.

    Enactment of HB 2453 would increase revenues to Kansas counties that have Juvenile Corrections Advisory Boards that choose to assess the new fee. However, the Kansas Association of Counties (KAC) indicates the fees would help offset, but not cover, the cost of offender programs. The KAC notes that these programs reduce juvenile recidivism, while ensuring offenders have a stake in their treatment with the fee.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Linda Kelly, Corrections
    Ashley Michaelis, Judiciary
    Melissa Wangemann, Association of Counties
    Scott Schultz, Sentencing Commission
    Pat Scalia, Indigents Defense Services