The Honorable Erin Davis, Chairperson  
House Committee on Children and Seniors  
Statehouse, Room 151-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Davis:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2745 by House Committee on Children and Seniors

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2745 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2745 would establish the Kansas Transition Bill of Rights Task Force. The Task Force would be charged to develop a bill of rights to educate parents and students regarding rights and resources related to transition services to adulthood for students receiving special education.

The Task Force would comprise 23 members, including legislative leaders, state agencies, and various stakeholder organizations, as outlined by the bill. The staff of the Office of the Revisor of Statutes, Legislative Research Department and the Division of Legislative Administrative Services would provide assistance, as requested and authorized by the Legislative Coordinating Council. In addition, the Department of Education would assist in developing and drafting any documents required by the Task Force.

The bill would require that the transition bill of rights to be concise, easy to read and include the following information: (1) laws related to transition assessments, goal setting and provision of services; (2) the rights of parents under state and federal special education laws; (3) information and resources relating to individualized education programs; (4) glossary of commonly used terms when describing transition services; (5) a description of required and optional services provided by state agencies that can assist with the provision of special education and transition from school to adult life; and (6) contact information for state agencies, service providers and advocacy organizations that provide services that can assist students with school to adult life transition.

The Department of Education would be required to publish the final transition bill of rights document approved by the Task Force no later than August 1, 2019, and post the document on the agency’s website. In addition, the Department of Education would be required annually to distribute to the local boards of education the bill of rights document. Each school district would
be required to provide the information to the parents of students receiving special education services.

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Enactment of HB 2745 would require expenditures totaling $52,349 from the State General Fund in FY 2019. Of this amount, $49,849 would be for expenditures by the Legislature and $2,500 by the Department of Education.

Expenditures for the Legislature, as estimated by Legislative Administrative Service, would assume the four members appointed by the chairs of the various Legislative committees would be legislators and would assume the Task Force would meet six times in Topeka. Expenditures totaling $13,631 would be for the four legislative members, including $2,128 for salaries and wages; $3,456 for subsistence payments; $6,810 for mileage, tolls, and enroute expenditures; and $1,237 for fringe benefit costs. Expenditures for non-legislators would total $32,348, including $16,416 for subsistence expenditures and $15,932 for mileage and tolls. In addition, expenditures of $3,870 would be needed for the salaries and wages, including fringe benefit costs, for a Task Force committee assistant. As a result, total expenditures for the Legislature are estimated at $49,849, all from the State General Fund. The Department of Education estimates that expenditures totaling $2,500 for the printing and distribution of the bill of rights annually to school districts would be required. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2745 is not reflected in The FY 2019 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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