January 24, 2018

The Honorable Rick Wilborn, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 541-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Wilborn:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 277 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 277 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 277 would allow the Supreme Court to adopt rules that would allow district courts in Kansas to extend full faith and credit to the orders, judgements, and other judicial acts of the tribal courts of any federally recognized Indian tribe.

In adopting the rules, the Supreme Court may extend recognition, in whole or in part, to any type of tribal court judgement, except that the recognition may be extended only to the judgements of tribal courts that grant full faith and credit to judgements of the courts of Kansas.

According to the Office of Judicial Administration, any fiscal effect resulting from the enactment of SB 277 upon the Judicial Branch would be negligible.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Ashley Michaelis, Judiciary