February 1, 2017

The Honorable Molly Baumgardner, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Education
Statehouse, Room 224-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Baumgardner:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 75 by Senate Committee on Education

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

SB 75 would amend current law to provide an additional board member to the Cowley County Community College Board of Trustees, who would be elected exclusively from Sumner County. The election would occur in the fall of odd-numbered years in conjunction with city and school general elections. The bill clarifies that membership would include the additional member so long as Sumner County provides financial support for the benefit of the College in the form of a countywide retailers’ sales tax or an ad valorem property tax levied on all taxable tangible property located in Sumner County.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates the cost to add another question to the ballot in Sumner County under the provisions of SB 75 would be negligible and could be absorbed within existing resources. The Office of the Secretary of State adds that a primary election may be needed depending on the number of candidates filing for office, but the cost to the Sumner County Election Office would be negligible.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,
Director of the Budget

cc: Kelly Oliver, Board of Regents