

February 24, 2020

The Honorable Fred Patton, Chairperson
House Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 519C-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Patton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2604 by Representative Helmer

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2604 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2604 would require persons convicted of abuse of a child or aggravated abandonment of a child after July 1, 2020, to register as a violent offender for 25 years.

The Kansas Sentencing Commission estimates that enactment of SB 420 could have an effect on prison admissions, prison beds, and the workload of the Commission. However, a fiscal effect cannot be determined. The current estimated available bed capacity is 9,916. Based upon the Commission's most recent ten-year projection contained in its *FY 2020 Adult Inmate Prison Population Projections* report, it is estimated that the year-end population for available capacity will be over capacity by 258 inmates in FY 2020 and 524 inmates in FY 2021. The Department of Corrections would house any additional inmates over the capacity limit in county jails or out-of-state contract beds at a rate ranging from \$40 per day to \$74.76 per day.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates enactment of the bill would have a negligible fiscal effect that could be absorbed within existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2604 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary
Scott Schultz, Sentencing Commission
Randy Bowman, Corrections