

January 27, 2020

The Honorable Molly Baumgardner, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Education
Statehouse, Room 445B-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Baumgardner:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 271 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 271 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the high-density at-risk weighting in the Kansas School Equity and Enhancement Act, also known as the school finance formula, has an expiration date of July 1, 2020. SB 271 would remove this weighting's expiration date.

According to the Department of Education, the high-density at-risk weighting in the school finance formula distributes approximately \$54.0 million to eligible school districts in FY 2020. Without the enactment of SB 271, or an extension of the weighting in an appropriations bill proviso, school districts would lose this funding after July 1, 2020. The Division of the Budget notes that in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report* recommendations, the Governor has included an appropriations proviso to extend the high-density at-risk weighting through FY 2022.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Dale Dennis, Education