February 12, 2019

The Honorable Bud Estes, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 136-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Estes:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 99 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 99 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 99 would require an emergency medical service provider to be fingerprinted and submit to a criminal background check conducted by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The bill would allow the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services (KBEMS) to fix and collect a fee equal to the cost of the fingerprinting and background check, which would be remitted to the Emergency Medical Services Criminal History and Fingerprinting Fund. In addition, the bill would create the designation of an inactive certificate for a person who is not directly engaged in the provision of emergency medical services and would reduce the required minimum number of meetings of the Board from six to four. The bill also changes several references of “attendant” to “emergency medical services provider.”

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According to the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services (KBEMS), enactment of SB 99 would result in approximately $50,000 in additional revenue and expenditures to administer fingerprinting and background checks of emergency medical service providers (1,000 applicants
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x $50 per record check). The funds would be collected by applicants and paid to the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI). A $12 fee to conduct a Federal Bureau of Investigation record check is included in the KBI fee.

The KBI indicates that enactment of SB 99 would result in additional revenues of approximately $50,000 from payments by KBEMS, which would be spent on maintaining the Automated Fingerprint Identification System and other information technology systems.

The Division of the Budget notes that the additional expenditures and revenues from enactment of SB 99 would be considered “on-budget” for the Board of Emergency Medical Services and “off-budget” for the KBI. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 99 is not reflected in The FY 2020 Governor’s Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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    Paul Weisgerber, KBI