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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Clay Aurand, Chairperson House Committee on Education Statehouse, Room 174-W Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Aurand:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2201 by House Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2201 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2201 would authorize boards of education to adopt a resolution to establish a local activities budget. The maximum local activities budget would be 5.0 percent of the budget computation factor of a district. Funding generated from the local activity budget could be spent for any purpose for which expenditures from the general fund are authorized, or may be transferred to the general fund of a district or to any program weighted fund or categorical fund of a district.

The local activities budget would be calculated by multiplying the preceding school year FTE enrollment by the base state aid per pupil, times the percentage authorized in the resolution, which could not exceed 5.0 percent.

According to the Department of Education, enactment of HB 2201 would have no fiscal effect on state aid programs to districts, as the bill provides only for authorizing a local mill levy and is not equalized by the state. However, residents of school districts that would approve a local activities budget would experience higher taxes because of the levy.

Sincerely,

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