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The Honorable Steve Brunk, Chairperson House Committee on Federal and State Affairs Statehouse, Room 149-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Brunk:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2579 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2579 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2579 would declare that life begins at conception and that unborn children have interests that should be protected. The bill would direct that laws must be interpreted and construed to acknowledge the rights of the unborn child. The bill would also provide that the bill would not create a cause of action against a woman who indirectly harms her unborn child by failing to properly care for herself during pregnancy.

HB 2579 would have no fiscal effect on the Kansas Department of Health and Environment or the Board of Healing Arts.

Sincerely,

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