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The Honorable Lance Kinzer, Chairperson House Committee on Judiciary Statehouse, Room 165-W Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Kinzer:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2163 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2163 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law requires a garnishee to complete forms provided by the Judicial Council if the garnishment is to attach intangible property other than earnings of the judgement debtor. These forms are then provided to the judgement debtor and judgement creditor. HB 2163 would require that the forms be provided to the judgement creditor's attorney, if the creditor has an attorney. According to the bill, if the garnishee does not have assets of the judgement debtor, the garnishee would send the completed answer to the judgement creditor's attorney at the address listed on the answer form or, if the judgement creditor does not have an attorney, to the judgement creditor at the address listed on the answer form. The bill would make these amendments to the laws affecting both civil garnishments and limited action garnishments.

According to the Office of Judicial Administration, passage of HB 2163 would have no fiscal effect on the Judicial Branch budget.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary