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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 2651 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2651 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2651 would modify the law governing the use of monies placed in a Court Trustee Operations Fund by authorizing the Office of the State Treasurer to transfer monies from the fund to the board of trustees of the county law library in the county where the office of the court trustee has ceased to exist. The bill would also allow boards of trustees to authorize the chief judge of the judicial district to use fees currently collected from attorneys for law library purposes to facilitate and enhance functions of the district court. The bill includes one technical correction.

The Office of Judicial Administration (OJA) indicates that HB 2651 could increase revenues for district courts from accessing monies in a Court Trustee Operations Fund. It is expected that the added revenue would be applied to existing or future county expenditures. Although it is not known how much money would be in every county, the OJA anticipates the amounts to be negligible.

Sincerely,

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