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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Daniel Hawkins, Chairperson House Committee on Health and Human Services Statehouse, Room 521-E Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hawkins:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2282 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2282 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2282 would authorize the creation of medical hemp establishments for the purpose of possessing and selling or dispensing hemp preparations and related paraphernalia to registered cardholders who have qualifying medical conditions diagnosed by a physician licensed by the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts (KSBHA). The act would be administered by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). The act also establishes a nine member advisory council on medical hemp.

KSBHA states that HB 2282 would result in additional reports and complaints regarding practitioners alleged to have violated the new act. The agency estimates the need for 8.00 additional FTE positions to conduct investigations and disciplinary cases which would increase salary expenditures by \$412,784 in FY 2016. For FY 2016, the agency estimates that other operating expenditures would increase by \$157,680 and one-time expenditures of \$64,000 for additional office equipment would be necessary. KSBHA's total fiscal effect estimate for FY 2016 is \$634,464. The Department of Health and Environment indicates that a precise fiscal effect cannot be determined for HB 2282. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2282 is not reflected in *The FY 2016 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Aaron Dunkel, KDHE Cathy Brown, Healing Arts Mary Rinehart, Judiciary