

February 12, 2016

The Honorable Mark Hutton, Chairperson  
House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development  
Statehouse, Room 521-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hutton:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for HB 2648 by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2648 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) is allowed to sell products that are manufactured by inmates to the federal government, state agencies, or any organization within the state. HB 2648 would allow KDOC to sell these products to any resident of Kansas or any business located in Kansas.

Current law prohibits KDOC from establishing a home building program. HB 2648 would allow the agency to manufacture five residential housing units within a year at the Ellsworth Correctional Facility. The five housing units could be sold to the public, used as staff housing, or donated to a charitable organization.

KDOC states enactment of HB 2648 could increase revenue because of additional product sales; however, the agency does not have enough information to provide a fiscal effect at this time. KDOC indicates that the home building program would be established through vocational training and any additional expenses would be absorbed by the vocational educational provider. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2648 is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Shawn Sullivan,  
Director of the Budget

cc: Adam Pfannenstiel, Corrections