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The Honorable Gregory Smith, Chairperson Senate Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice Statehouse, Room 441-E Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Smith:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 213 by Senate Committee on Corrections and Juvenile

Justice

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 213 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 213 would add an exemption to the group of offenses that are classified as inherently dangerous felonies within the crime of murder in the first degree. Under current law, unlawful manufacturing of a controlled substance, unlawful cultivation or distribution of a controlled substance, and unlawful possession of controlled substances are classified as inherently dangerous felonies. SB 213 would exclude marijuana from these offenses.

The Kansas Sentencing Commission states that SB 213 would have no effect on prison admissions, prison beds or the workload of the agency. Also, the Office of Judicial Administration indicates that the bill would have no fiscal effect on the Judicial Branch.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

Director of the Budget

cc: Scott Schultz, Sentencing Commission Mary Rinehart, Judiciary Pat Scalia, Indigents Defense Services