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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Ralph Ostmeyer, Chairperson Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs Statehouse, Room 136-E Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Ostmeyer:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 225 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 225 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 225 would enact the Interstate Compact for Recognition of Emergency Medical Personnel Licensure. The Compact is designed to meet the following objectives:

- 1. Increase public access to emergency medical service (EMS) personnel;
- 2. Enhance states' ability to protect the public's health and safety, especially patient safety;
- 3. Encourage the cooperation of member states in the areas of EMS personnel licensure and regulation;
- 4. Support licensing of military members who are separating from an active duty tour and their spouses;
- 5. Facilitate the exchange of information between member states regarding EMS personnel licensure, adverse action, and significant investigatory information;
- 6. Promote compliance with the laws governing EMS personnel practice in each member state; and
- 7. Invest all member states with the authority to hold EMS personnel accountable through the mutual recognition of member state licenses.

The Compact would establish a joint public agency known as the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice with each state limited to one delegate. Meetings of the

Commission would be open to the public; however, there would be certain exemptions, as specified in SB 225. The remaining requirements of the Compact are specified in the bill.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2015 SGF	FY 2015 All Funds	FY 2016 SGF	FY 2016 All Funds
Revenue				
Expenditure				\$40,000
FTE Pos.				

The Emergency Medical Services Board estimates additional expenditures of \$40,000 in FY 2016 and \$30,000 in FY 2017 from agency fee funds if SB 225 is enacted. Of the FY 2016 and FY 2017 amounts, \$25,000 would be for the Compact annual membership fee; \$10,000 would be one-time costs in FY 2016 for a coordinated database and reporting system; and \$5,000 would be for a delegate from the Emergency Medical Services Board to travel to Commission meetings twice a year. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 225 is not reflected in *The FY 2016 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Joe House, EMS
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