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February 27, 2018

The Honorable Clay Aurand, Chairperson
House Committee on Education
Statehouse, Room 286-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Aurand:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2692 by House Committee on Education

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2692 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2692 would require school districts to provide applied behavior analysis (ABA) therapy for any student who has been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder, if requested by the student's parent or guardian. ABA therapy would be provided to the extent of an order by a licensed physician, a licensed psychologist, or licensed specialist clinical social worker.

The bill would create the ABA Therapy State Aid Fund, which would be administered by the Department of Education. On July 1, 2018, and in each subsequent July 1, the State Board of Education would determine the aggregate enrollment of students in the state and multiply that amount by \$4. The State Board would certify to the Director of Accounts and Reports the product of that calculation, from which the Director of Accounts and Reports would transfer that amount from the State General Fund to the ABA Therapy State Aid Fund. This transfer would be considered a demand transfer from the State General Fund. School districts would be authorized to submit applications to the State Board of Education to receive funding from the ABA Therapy State Aid Fund. The Department would review the applications and make approvals for funding to the extent that funds are available.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2018 SGF	FY 2018 All Funds	FY 2019 SGF	FY 2019 All Funds
Revenue	--	--	--	--
Expenditure	--	--	\$1,964,000	\$1,964,000
FTE Pos.	--	--	--	--

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For budgetary purposes, demand transfers from the State General Fund are treated as expenditures from the State General Fund. As a result, the Department of Education estimates that enactment of HB 2692 would require additional FY 2019 expenditures totaling \$1,964,000, all from the State General Fund. This estimate was made using the current enrollment headcount for the current school year of 491,000 multiplied by \$4. This calculation in future fiscal years would be dependent on the actual statewide enrollment headcount, as certified by the Department of Education to the Director of Accounts and Reports on July 1 of each year.

The Department indicates that it would accept applications each year based upon the actual ABA costs of a school district and would distribute funds at the end of the school year. If the amount of funds available in the ABA Therapy State Aid Fund would not be sufficient for the aggregate amount of applications, the Department would prorate funds to school districts. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2692 is not reflected in *The FY 2019 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. Campbell".

Larry L. Campbell
Chief Budget Officer

cc: Dale Dennis, Education