

January 22, 2020

The Honorable Fred Patton, Chairperson
House Committee on Judiciary
Statehouse, Room 519C-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Patton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2457 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2457 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2457 would amend the Parentage Act by changing the procedure for making changes to a minor's birth certificate. Currently, no court case is opened when parents seek a change, such as adding the name of a parent, correcting the name of the child or parent, or changing the child's last name. The bill would require a court case to be initiated containing the parents' affidavits, court order, and original birth certificate. The case would be sealed. Certified copies of documents that are issued because of a court order would be subject to fees.

According to Department of Health and Environment, approximately 60 requests are received from the courts per year. Any additional expenditures would be offset by additional revenue. The Office of Judicial Administration states that HB 2457 would not have a fiscal effect. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2457 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Dan Thimmesch, Health & Environment
Mary Rinehart, Judiciary