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

Dear Representative Patton:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2120 by House Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2120 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2120 would amend current law by removing the spousal exception from the crime of sexual battery.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates enactment of HB 2120 could have a fiscal effect on the Judicial Branch because it expands the crime of sexual battery, which could result in more time spent by court employees and judges processing and deciding these cases. Enactment of the bill would also increase the amount of supervision of offenders required by court service officers. The Office estimates enactment of the bill could result in the collection of docket fees, fines, and supervision fees assessed in those cases filed under the bill's provisions.

The Kansas Sentencing Commission estimates enactment of the bill could have an effect on prison admissions and bed space; however, the effect cannot be estimated. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2120 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

Adam Proffitt

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cc: Debbie Thomas, Judiciary Scott Schultz, Sentencing Commission Randy Bowman, Corrections