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The Honorable Kellie Warren, Chairperson Senate Committee on Judiciary Statehouse, Room 441B-E Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Warren:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 54 by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 54 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 54 would authorize judges to extend protection from abuse orders when the defendant has committed an act that is substantially similar to certain crimes against the plaintiff or any other person. The bill would also toll the time a protection order is valid when the defendant is incarcerated.

The Office of Judicial Administration states enactment of SB 54 could result in additional time spent by district court judges reviewing protection from abuse orders to determine if the order should be extended. According to the Office, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

The Kansas Sentencing Commission states enactment of the bill could have an effect on prison admissions and beds; however, the Commission does not have enough information to estimate what the effect would be. The Department of Corrections states there would be no fiscal effect on agency operations if the bill is enacted. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 54 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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