

February 18, 2004

The Honorable Jim Morrison, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 171-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Morrison:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2717 by house Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2717 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2717 would require the person in charge of a licensed crematory with a holding facility to have a state funeral director's or embalmer's license.

The Board of Mortuary Arts reports the state has 24 licensed crematories in the state, with 21 having holding facilities. Of those having holding facilities, two do not have a licensed embalmer or a funeral director as a crematory operator. Passage of the bill would require the two facilities to have operators with a funeral director's or embalmer's license. The Board indicates that the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agency.

Sincerely,

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Director of the Budget

cc: Mack Smith, Mortuary Arts