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The Honorable Rick Billinger, Chairperson Senate Committee on Ways and Means 300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 548-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Billinger:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 244 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 244 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under SB 244, the Attorney General would have concurrent authority with a county or district attorney to prosecute any crime or an attempt, conspiracy or criminal solicitation of any crime that is part of an alleged course of criminal conduct that occurred in two or more counties.

The Office of the Attorney General states that the bill would increase the number of prosecution cases handled by the Office. The Office estimates that for FY 2024 it would require 1.00 Attorney FTE position and 1.00 Special Agent FTE position at a total cost of \$227,981 from the State General Fund for salaries and benefits. In addition, it would require \$24,844 from the State General Fund for related operating expenses. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 244 is not reflected in *The FY 2024 Governor's Budget Report*.

The Kansas Association of Counties states that the bill could generate some savings from coordinating with the Attorney General on qualifying prosecutions. However, the Association cannot determine a precise fiscal effect. The Kansas League of Municipalities states that the bill would not have a fiscal effect on cities.

Sincerely,

Adam Proffitt

Director of the Budget

cc: Jay Hall, Kansas Association of Counties John Milburn, Office of the Attorney General Wendi Stark, League of Kansas Municipalities