

March 11, 2011

The Honorable Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 151-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Landwehr:


SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2095 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2095 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2095 would require the Kansas State Board of Education, in cooperation with the Kansas State High School Activities Association, to compile information on the nature and risk of concussion and head injuries associated with sports. In addition, a school athlete would not be able to participate in any sport competition or practice session unless the athlete and the athlete's parents or guardian has signed a concussion and head injury information release form. If a school athlete suffers, or is suspected of having suffered, a concussion or head injury during a competition or practice, the athlete would be removed immediately and not returned until evaluated by a licensed healthcare provider, trained in the evaluation and management of concussion injuries. The healthcare provider would be required to give written clearance in order for the athlete to return to the competition or practice.

According to the Kansas Department of Education, costs resulting from the enactment of HB 2095 would be negligible.

Sincerely,



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cc: Dale Dennis, Education