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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 2659 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2659 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2659 would move the licensure and regulatory authority of speech-language pathologists and audiologists from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) to the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts (KSBHA). The bill would also establish a five-member Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Council to assist the Board of Healing Arts with the transition.

Estimated State Fiscal Effect				
	FY 2012	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2013
	SGF	All Funds	SGF	All Funds
Revenue			\$13,064	\$130,644
Expenditure				\$5,300
FTE Pos.				

The Kansas State Board of Healing Arts indicates that passage of the bill would increase fee fund revenue by \$117,580 and State General Fund revenue by \$13,064 for a total revenue increase of \$130,644. The bill would require the Board to amend and publish approximately 11 Article 61 rules and regulations for the licensure, revising applications, forms, booklets, and other website items, and travel expenses for the new council to meet approximately once per quarter. Revenue increases for new licenses and renewals would total \$130,644 and of that amount, 10.0 percent, or \$13,064 would go to the State General Fund. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2659 is not reflected in *The FY 2013 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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