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The Honorable Tim Owens, Chairperson Senate Committee on Judiciary Statehouse, Room 559-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Owens:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 60 by Senate Committee on Judiciary

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 60 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law provides exceptions to appeals that may be taken from a district court's final judgment in a criminal case directly to the Supreme Court. SB 60 would prohibit appeals in cases involving specific crimes from going directly to the Supreme Court. Those crimes include: off-grid crimes of aggravated human trafficking; rape; aggravated criminal sodomy; aggravated indecent liberties with a child; sexual exploitation of a child; promoting prostitution; and an attempt, conspiracy or criminal solicitation.

SB 60 would have no fiscal effect on the Judicial Branch.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary