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Sam Brownback, Governor

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The Honorable Marc Rhoades, Chairperson House Committee on Appropriations Statehouse, Room 111-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Rhoades:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2415 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2415 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Current law allows judges to retire upon reaching age 65 or age 62 with the completion of ten years of credited service. Judges are required to retire when they reach age 75, but are allowed to finish serving the term during which they reach that age. HB 2415 would continue these provisions of current law for district court judges. However, on or after August 31, 2014, justices of the Supreme Court and judges of the Court of Appeals would be required to retire at age 65 and would not be allowed to complete the term during which they reach that age.

While the provisions of HB 2415 would not create long-term expenditures for the Judicial Branch, four current justices and judges would be required to retire in FY 2015. The expenses associated with the selection of the new justices and judges have not been included in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report* and would need to be addressed in the revised budget for FY 2015.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mary Rinehart, Judiciary