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The Honorable Sharon Schwartz, Chairperson House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources Statehouse, Room 149-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Schwartz:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2523 by House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2523 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2523 would amend the Kansas Veterinary Practice Act to require that every veterinary premises post its business hours in a conspicuous location that is easily visible to the public. A veterinarian overseeing the care of companion animals, who does not provide direct supervision and care of those animals after normal business hours, would be required to provide written notification to each person bringing a companion animal in for care or treatment. The bill defines "normal business hours," specifies how the written notification may be provided, and provides the language to be used in the notification.

According to the Kansas Department of Agriculture, the bill would make a technical change to existing law and passage would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,

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