

February 14, 2019

The Honorable Russell Jennings, Chairperson  
House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice  
Statehouse, Room 151-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Jennings:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2208 by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2208 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2208 would define the crime of “sexual extortion.” The bill would create two new penalties for sexual extortion: a severity level seven, person felony and a severity level four, person felony. The bill would add the crime of sexual extortion to the sex offender registry.

HB 2208 has the potential for increasing litigation in the courts because of the new crime created by the bill. If litigation would increase, the Office of Judicial Administration indicates that there would be a fiscal effect on the operations of the court system. However, it is not possible to estimate the number of additional court cases that would arise or how complex and time-consuming the cases would be. The fiscal effect would most likely be negligible and could be accommodated within the existing budget resources.

The Kansas Sentencing Commission estimates enactment of HB 2208 could result in additional prison admissions and beds; however, the Commission cannot provide an estimate. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2208 is not reflected in *The FY 2020 Governor’s Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the budget

cc: Janie Harris, Judiciary  
Linda Kelly, Corrections  
Scott Schultz, Sentencing Commission