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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Sean Tarwater, Chairperson House Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Statehouse, Room 151-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Tarwater:

Fiscal Note for HB 2313 by House Committee on Commerce, Labor and SUBJECT: Economic Development

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2313 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2313 would increase an employer's liability maximum for a worker's compensation injury from \$500 to \$2,000.

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment estimates that HB 2313 would increase costs to the State Self Insurance Fund by \$88,597 for FY 2020. The estimate is based upon the number of 2018 claims that reached the \$500 limit or were still open for payment. The Kansas Insurance Department estimates that the bill would increase expenditures from the Workers Compensation Fund by less than \$10,000 in any year. The League of Kansas Municipalities and the Kansas Association of Counties indicate that HB 2313 would have a fiscal effect because it would increase the maximum amount of worker's compensation payments. However, no information is available upon which to base an accurate estimate. The Kansas Department of Labor indicates that HB 2313 would have no fiscal effect on the agency. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2313 is not reflected in The FY 2020 Governor's Budget Report.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dawn Palmberg, Department of Labor Glenda Haverkamp, Insurance Dan Thimmesch, Health & Environment Chardae Caine, League of Municipalities Jay Hall, Association of Counties