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The Honorable Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson House Committee on Health and Human Services Statehouse, Room 352C-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Landwehr:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2630 by House Committee on Health and Human Services

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2630 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2630 would make three amendments to the Kansas Dental Practices Act. First, the bill would allow the Kansas Dental Board to take disciplinary action against a dental licensee for failing to perform an examination of a patient prior to diagnosing and correcting malpositions of human teeth or initial use of orthodontic appliances. The examination would need to include a review of the patients most recent diagnostic radiographs. The treating dentist would need to order new radiographs unless the patient has had radiographs performed with the previous six months.

Second, the bill would require licensed dentists who are providing dental services outside a dental office to provide patients with the dentist's contact information and, upon request, the dentist's license information.

Third, the bill would prohibit a dentist or dentist services contract to require a patient to sign an agreement that attempts to limit the patient's ability to file a complaint with the Kansas Dental Board.

The Kansas Dental Board indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect on regular Board operations. If enforcement of the provisions of HB 2630 would result in litigation, the Board would incur costs for outside legal counsel. However, the costs are unknown.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Campbell
Director of the Budget

cc: Charity Carlat, Dental Board