

April 20, 2020

The Honorable Bud Estes, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs
Statehouse, Room 136-E
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Estes:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 495 by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 495 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 495 would require the Kansas Insurance Department to take all necessary and appropriate steps to reinstate the Kansas Uninsurable Health Insurance Plan Act and rename it the Kansas Guaranteed Coverage Pool Act. The bill would become effective on the date the U.S. Supreme Court issues a decision that the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is invalid or unconstitutional.

The Kansas Department of Insurance indicates that the bill would require additional expenditures to determine funding, coverage, premium rates, plan design, eligibility rules, plan of operation, by laws and appointments to committees. Costs would also be required for contracted actuarial, financial and auditing services. However, the Department is unable to estimate the fiscal effect. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 495 is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Bobbi Mariani, Insurance
Dan Thimmesch, Health & Environment