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The Honorable Kristey Williams, Chairperson House Committee on K-12 Education Budget Statehouse, Room 286A-N Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Williams:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2131 by House Committee on K-12 Education Budget

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2131 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the high-density at-risk weighting in the Kansas School Equity and Enhancement Act, also known as the school finance formula, has an expiration date of July 1, 2020. HB 2131 would remove this weighting's statutory expiration date.

According to the Department of Education, the high-density at-risk weighting in the school finance formula distributes approximately \$56.0 million to eligible school districts in FY 2022. Under current law, through the appropriations bill that was enacted during the 2020 Legislative Session, the high-density at-risk weighting was authorized through FY 2022. Without the enactment of HB 2131, or an extension of the weighting in an appropriations bill proviso after FY 2022, school districts would lose this funding after July 1, 2022. The Division of the Budget notes that in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report* recommendations, the Governor has included an appropriations proviso to extend the high-density at-risk weighting through FY 2023.

Sincerely,

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