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Laura Kelly, Governor

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The Honorable Kristey Williams, Chairperson House Committee on K-12 Education Budget Statehouse, Room 546-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Williams:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2512 by House Committee on K-12 Education Budget

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2512 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2512 would amend school finance law to authorize virtual school state aid for students who are seeking completion of a high school diploma, but who have dropped out of high school. For students under the age of 19 and have a ratio of earned credit to expected credits for their cohort year of less than 75.0 percent, virtual state aid would include the number of one-hour credit courses each student has passed, not to exceed six per school year, and then multiply the number of courses by \$709.

According to the Department of Education, the enactment of HB 2512 would increase virtual state aid by approximately \$426 per credit earned by a student under age 19 with a ratio of completed courses equal to 75.0 precent. The Department estimates that if 1.0 percent of the state's current 33,200 high school students would qualify for this additional state aid and would earn six credits, additional virtual state aid that school districts would be entitled would total \$848,592 (33,200 X .01 X 6 credits X \$426 = \$848,592). However, the actual number of students that would qualify is not known. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2512 is not reflected in *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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