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The Honorable Stephen Owens, Chairperson House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice Statehouse, Room 546-S Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Owens:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2705 by House Committee on Federal and State Affairs

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2705 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, any prosecution of the crime of distribution of a controlled substance or possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance produces a rebuttable presumption if certain amounts of a controlled substance are shown to be possessed. HB 2705 would remove rebuttable presumption and replace it with permissive inference.

The Office of Judicial Administration indicates enactment of the bill could increase expenditures because it affects what must be proven in certain drug-related criminal cases, which could extend the length of some cases. However, the Office indicates any fiscal effect would be negligible. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2705 is not reflected in *The FY 2023 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,

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cc: Vicki Jacobsen, Judiciary