

January 30, 2017

The Honorable Kristey Williams, Chairperson
House Committee on Local Government
Statehouse, Room 165-W
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Williams:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2138 by House Committee on Local Government

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2138 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2138 would require the State Fire Marshal to conduct a thorough review of existing rules and regulations regarding school lockdown situations and to revise those codes to accommodate new and emerging technologies that facilitate school lockdowns.

The review and revision would include the following:

1. Identify the types of door locks, devices, and procedures available currently that would meet existing fire safety codes during intruder situations;
2. Collaborate with the State Board of Education and various school districts to develop new, cost-effective strategies that would enable classrooms to recover quickly and securely adapt to an intruder situation; and
3. Revise fire codes annually to accommodate newly developed technologies.

The bill specifies that in the event a conflict exists between a lockdown procedure approved by a local school board and local fire codes, deference would be given to the school district approved procedure.

Both the Kansas Department of Education and the State Fire Marshal indicate passage of HB 2138 would have no fiscal effect.

Sincerely,



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cc: Dale Dennis, Education
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