

February 1, 2007

The Honorable Brenda Landwehr, Chairperson
House Committee on Health and Human Services
Statehouse, Room 115-S
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Landwehr:


SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2030 by Representative George

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2030 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2030 would allow medical personnel, who hold institutional licenses issued by the Board of Healing Arts, to practice the healing arts during their employment at a licensed community mental health center or one of its contracted affiliates. These centers would have to be located in an area of the state identified as a federal health professional shortage area. When an individual needs to renew his or her institutional license, an executive director of a community mental health center would provide the necessary recommendation stating whether or not the individual's license should be renewed.

The Board of Healing Arts states that the passage of HB 2030 could result in the issuance and renewal of additional institutional licenses. According to the agency, there are currently 43 institutional license holders. The application fee for an institutional license is \$150. Two-year renewal fees for an institutional license are also \$150. The number of additional licenses the Board may issue and the number of additional renewals the Board may process as the result of the passage of HB 2030 is unknown; therefore, a fiscal effect cannot be estimated.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Cathy Brown, Healing Arts