To: "Ethan Patterson" <

Subject: RE: \$14 million

Ethan,

I think Jim and you both are right. I would like to make this suggestion. Let it drop, and I will resign my column in The Star, effective today.

From: Ethan Patterson [mailto:

Sent: Saturday, January 26, 2019 3:38 PM

To: Steve Rose

Subject: Re: \$14 million

Steve- your article clearly states... "He also claimed, even today, that Kansas cannot afford the \$14 million per year it would need to spend as its share of the overall costs of Medicaid expansion for the 150,000 recipients."

Steve, Jim states he never made the above statement.

My questions on the \$14M quote remain.

- 1. All I'm asking here is when did jim have the conversation with you on the \$14M Medicaid reference? You said today. What date is today?
- 2. If no conversation occurred between you two on this subject, then supply your source of Jim's alleged quote you are using.
- 3. You asking Jim to make a financial correction to something he never said in first place makes no sense.

Jim does not provide fiscal notes. Those would be provided by KDHE or the Governor's office. You never asked Jim for current input from a discussion that supposedly happened several years ago. Why are you asking now?

Sent from my iPhone

Ethan, I made the decision to update the estimate for the state's share of expenses from the governor's most recent budget proposal, so it would be as fresh as possible. It was not my intention to imply that Sen. Denning made that estimate. That is why I keep asking you for his estimate, so that we can get that clarified.

KanCare Expansion: The Kelly budget includes \$14 million to expand critical health care coverage to 150,000 low-income Kansans. This will not only improve the health and vitality of the state, it will help keep Kansas hospitals open and strengthen our economy as a whole. One study by George Washington University found that expanding KanCare would create 3,500 – 4,000 new jobs over five years. Kelly will convene stakeholders to collect input and introduce legislation to accompany this budget priority by the end of January.

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