

SESSION OF 2023

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2210**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Veterans and Military

**Brief\***

HB 2210 would amend law governing the appointment of Kansas Army and Air National Guard officers. Under current law, the Governor appoints and commissions general officers who are then subject to confirmation by the Kansas Senate. The bill would remove the requirement that general officers be confirmed by the Senate.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Veterans and Military at the request of a representative of the Adjutant General's Department.

***House Committee on Veterans and Military***

In the House Committee hearing on February 7, 2023, a representative of the Adjutant General's Department testified as a **proponent** of the bill, stating that the current confirmation requirement could lead to delays and confusion regarding the promotion of an officer. Removing the Senate confirmation requirement for general officers would allow for more efficiency and flexibility within the Adjutant General's Department.

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\*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

## **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Adjutant General's Department and Legislative Administrative Services both state that enactment of the bill would not have a fiscal effect.

Kansas National Guard; Senate confirmation; officers