

SESSION OF 2023

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2323

As Recommended by House Committee on
Local Government

Brief*

HB 2323 would require all property transfer agreements between a fire district and city in Johnson County on land annexed by the city to occur within one year of the date of annexation. Should such an agreement not be reached, then the property would automatically be transferred to the city.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Local Government at the request of Representative Essex.

House Committee on Local Government

During the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by a representative of the City of Olathe. The conferee stated the bill would not alter the current process of negotiations and would help ensure no future issues arise by establishing a deadline by which the property would be automatically transferred if no agreement is reached. The proponent noted the issue of transference was important to protect taxpayers within the annexed area from being taxed by both the city and the fire district for services while negotiations are ongoing.

*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 provided on the bill by the Division of the Budget, the Kansas Association of Counties indicates enactment of the bill would only impact Johnson County and that any fiscal effects would be covered within existing resources.

Local government; fire district; Johnson County; special use districts; transfers of property; annexation; cities