#### SESSION OF 2004

#### SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2477

### <u>As Amended by House Committee on</u> <u>Corrections and Juvenile Justice</u>

## Brief\*

HB 2477 amends the crime of stalking by increasing the penalty to a severity level 8 when the offender possesses a firearm or certain weapons such as any bludgeon, sand club, metal knuckles, throwing star, switchblade knife, dagger, dirk, etc. These weapons are listed in KSA 21-4201.

# **Background**

The sponsor appeared in support of the bill. Support was also received from the Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence. Written support was expressed on behalf of the Douglas County Rape Victim Survivor Service.

The fiscal note indicates the possibility of needing one or two additional prison beds through FY 2013.

<sup>\*</sup>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