

SESSION OF 2007

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2588**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Federal and State Affairs

**Brief\***

HB 2588, as amended, would create the Kansas Commission on Expanded Gaming. The Commission would consist of nine members of the Legislature and two ex officio members.

The nine legislative members would appointed as follows:

- One member appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- One member appointed by the President of the Senate;
- One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the House;
- One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate;
- The Chairperson of the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs;
- The Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs;
- One member appointed jointly by the Speaker of the House, the Minority Leader of the House, the President of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Senate; and
- Two members appointed by the Governor.

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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>

The two ex officio members would be the Legislative Post Auditor or designee and the Attorney General or designee.

Commission members would be paid expenses, mileage and subsistence allowances from the Legislative Coordinating Council budget.

The Commission may use the staff of the Office of Revisor's of Statutes, the Legislative Research Department and Legislative Administrative Services for assistance to the Commission. The Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission and the Kansas Lottery Commission may act as consultants to the Commission.

The Commission would be charged with:

- Determining the economical feasibility of gaming in Kansas;
- Determining what types of gaming are preferable;
- Determining at what venues gambling should be conducted;
- Studying the scope of problem gambling and its impact on Kansas; and
- Appointing subcommittees and advisory committees when necessary.

The Commission would expire on December 31, 2007, and would be required to submit a report to the Legislature and the Governor.

The bill would be effective on its publication in the *Kansas Register*.

## **Background**

Representative Huntington and Glenn Thompson, Stand Up for Kansas testified as proponents on the bill. Lana Oleen, representing the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation presented neutral testimony. No opponents testified on the bill.

The House Committee amended the bill to make the expiration date of the Commission December 31, 2007, included problem gambling as a topic to be studied by the Commission and made the effective date of the bill on publication in the *Kansas Register*.

The fiscal note was not available at the time of passage of the bill.