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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2803

As Recommended by House Committee on
Elections and Governmental Organization

Brief*

HB 2803 would permit any city to accept credit card payments for taxes, utility fees or other charges, and would permit cities to set a fee for each credit card transaction equal to the charge paid by the city for use of the credit card by the person.

Background

Representatives of the League of Kansas Municipalities and several cities testified in support of the bill. No opponents testified. Testimony indicated KSA 16a-2-403 prohibits a city from passing on the credit card company surcharge to the customer; however, the State, counties, community colleges, and local boards of education have been authorized to do so (see KSA 79-2973; 75-30,100; and 72-8245).

The fiscal effect is that the bill would allow cities to recover the expenses that they incur for conducting credit card transactions, according to the fiscal note.

*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>