

SESSION OF 2009

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2110

As Amended by House Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

HB 2110, as amended, would amend the statute which authorizes attorney fees to be taxed as costs in certain actions involving negligent motor vehicle operation. The bill would increase the cap on the property damage amount from less than \$7,500 to less than \$15,000.

Background

The proponents of the bill who presented testimony at the House Committee were Randy Hearrell, Executive Director, Kansas Judicial Council; and Steven J. Borel, Kansas Association for Justice, a statewide, non-profit organization of consumer lawyers.

There was no testimony in opposition to the bill.

The House Committee on Judiciary amended the bill to strike the provision that would have tied future increases to the cap on the property damage amount to the United States Department of Labor's Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

The fiscal note indicates that passage of the bill would have no fiscal effect.

*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>