

SESSION OF 2010

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE
SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 255**

As Recommended by House Committee on
Taxation

Brief*

House Sub. for SB 255 would authorize Kingman County, without sharing the revenues with cities located in that county, to impose a sales tax of up to 1.0 percent for up to 20 years for jail and law enforcement center construction; and roadway and bridge improvements.

The bill also would authorize Pottawatomie County to impose an additional 0.5 percent sales tax for public infrastructure improvements that would sunset once the costs associated with such improvements had been paid. The county unit of government would receive all revenues unless it chose when submitting the ballot proposition to voters to allow cities to share under the traditional distribution formula for countywide sales taxes.

Both county authorizations would require an election prior to the imposition of the taxes.

Background

The original SB 255 would have renewed for the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years (tax years 2010 and 2011) the mandatory school district general fund property tax levy at the current level of 20 mills; and would have extended for the same two tax years the residential "homestead" property tax exemption from that levy equivalent to \$20,000 of appraised

*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>

valuation per parcel. The provisions of that bill ultimately were added to current law in a different bill enacted during the 2009 Session (House Sub. for SB 98).

The House Taxation Committee on March 19 stripped the bill of its original language; inserted the aforementioned local sales tax provisions from the House-passed version of Sub. for HB 2689; and recommended that a substitute bill be created.

The bill would not have a fiscal impact for the state.