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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 519

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

SB 519, as amended, would:

- Allow payment of traffic tickets and fines for violation of county codes and resolutions by any means accepted by the court;
- Authorize, upon the appropriate Supreme Court rule, an electronic signature of the Clerk of the District Court which would have the same legal effect as a manual signature on records and judicial proceedings requiring the attestation of the Clerk;
- Authorize the conveyance of a written statement or affidavit for a search warrant by electronic communication, *i.e.*, the use of electronic equipment to send or transfer a copy of an original document;
- Eliminate the requirement that certain docket fees must be paid by mail or in person;
- Amend the Juvenile Code to authorize an adjudication court to use electronic means to send documents to the sentencing court; and
- Amend the Probate Code to require the district court to transmit the entire file to the proper county, if proceedings are instituted in more than one county, once proper venue is determined.

*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>

Background

The proponent of the bill, as introduced, who presented testimony in the Senate Committee hearing was a representative of the Office of Judicial Administration.

There was no testimony in opposition to the bill in the Senate Committee hearing.

The Senate Committee made a technical amendment to the bill to delete the reference to “via telephone lines” to acknowledge other methods of sending or transferring a copy of an original document.

According to the fiscal note on the bill, as introduced, SB 519 is permissive in its application. Where this technology is available it could be used. The only cost incurred would be if officials choose to install the technology.