

SESSION OF 2010

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2631

As Amended by House Committee on
Government Efficiency and Fiscal Oversight

Brief*

HB 2631, as amended, would require state agencies to make an annual report not later than January 30 of each year that lists all real estate holdings that are owned, operated or acquired, and to report the status of all state agency land and buildings according to criteria enumerated in the bill. The bill would exempt the Kansas Department of Transportation from the general reporting requirements, and specific language would require that agency to make a separate annual report by January 30 each year listing the potential excess property that it owns.

Background

Representative Sheryl Spalding spoke in favor of the bill. A representative of the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) indicated that the agency most likely would not be able to meet the first January 30 deadline and that the total cost to implement a tracking system would be \$4.3 million to meet the requirements in the legislation as introduced. The KDOT representative indicated that the agency had reviewed 80 of 105 counties in order to determine if there was excess property among its real estate holdings, and that the real estate review would be completed for the remaining 25 counties in order to make a report to the Legislature about surplus property owned by KDOT.

*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 House Committee amended the bill to accommodate a different real estate reporting requirement for KDOT in order to eliminate the fiscal note for that agency if it had been required as in the original bill to collect additional data about all of its real estate holdings. The House Committee further amended the bill to clarify the definition of state agency in order to ensure that all state other entities would report on the status of both buildings and land.

No fiscal note was available from the Director of the Budget at the time the hearing on the bill was conducted.