

SESSION OF 2026

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2624**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Local Government

**Brief\***

HB 2624 would authorize a board of county commissioners to disorganize a fire district at any time, upon motion of the board, when the fire district contains no territory as a result of the exclusion of lands.

[*Note:* Under current law, disorganization requires a filing of a petition by landowners who own at least 60 percent of the land in the fire district and may occur four years after the date of the publication of final resolution organizing the district.]

The bill would also make technical changes.

**Background**

The bill was introduced by Representative Johnson.

***House Committee on Local Government***

In the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by Representative Johnson and a representative of Leavenworth County. The proponents generally stated the bill would provide a clear process to disorganize a fire district that continues to exist in law despite having no remaining geographic area or population, noting

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that a district with no territory cannot be dissolved by petition because no eligible electors remain to initiate disorganization.

No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

### **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note provided by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the State Fire Marshal indicates that enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on its operations.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates that the bill could require counties to perform some initial administrative work to disorganize a district, but it would reduce ongoing administrative costs by eliminating the need to process budgets and tax distributions for a district that contains no territory.

Fire districts; disorganization; board of county commissioners;