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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2152

As Recommended by House Committee on
Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2152 would move operation of a vessel under the influence of alcohol or drugs from the chapter on Wildlife, Parks, and Recreation to the criminal code, making it a crime, rather than a Department of Wildlife and Parks violation. Pursuant to the bill, the penalties would be enhanced from a class C misdemeanor to a class B misdemeanor for a first offense, and a class A misdemeanor for subsequent offenses.

Background

In the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice, a representative of the Department of Wildlife and Parks appeared in support of HB 2152. No opponents offered testimony.

The Kansas Association of Counties indicates that enactment of HB 2152 could result in an increase in offenders remitted to county jails. The precise fiscal impact of this increase, however, cannot be determined.

The Department of Wildlife and Parks reports there would be no fiscal effect on its operations.

*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>