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### SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2298

# As Recommended by House Committee on Appropriations

# **Brief\***

HB 2298 would allow the Executive Director of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, with the approval of the Director of the Division of the Budget, to transfer any part of an item of appropriation from the State General Fund intended for supervision or management of agency programs and facilities to another item of appropriation from the State General Fund intended for the same purpose. The agency would certify each transfer to the Director of Accounts and Reports and send a copy of the certification to the Director of the Kansas Legislative Research Department.

### Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security. No conferees provided testimony, and the bill was passed as introduced.

This grant of authority was included in substantially identical form for several state agencies in 2011 Senate Sub. for HB 2014, which allowed transferring items of appropriation from the State General Fund in FY 2012. This was included for the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs in section 106, in subsection (e) and in subsection (f) of the 2011 Appropriations Act.

Since 1975, similar authority has existed in KSA 75-

<sup>\*</sup>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

3726a for any state agency to transfer all or any part of one of its items of appropriation to another of its items of appropriation with, by its terms, approval of the State Finance Council. This authority to approve such transfers was transferred to the Governor in 1976, pursuant to subsection (c) of KSA 75-3711, enacted in response to a legal challenge to the State Finance Council as then constituted. This statute applies to the State General Fund.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of Budget indicates that the bill would have no net fiscal effect.