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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2393

As Amended by House Committee on
Appropriations

Brief*

HB 2393, as amended, would repeal current law which authorizes longevity bonuses for classified and certain unclassified employees in the Judicial Branch hired prior to June 15, 2008. The amended bill extends the repeal of longevity bonuses to groups of unclassified employees in the Legislative branch and Regents institutions not covered by KSA 75-5541, the statute repealed by the bill.

Background

The bill amends current law by repealing KSA 2010 Supp. 75-5541 and amending amending KSA 2010 Supp. 75-5551 in order to remove the longevity bonus program for state employees. Under the longevity bonus program, eligible employees currently receive \$50 per year after ten years of service, up to a maximum of 25 years on the anniversary of employment with the state. The cost per eligible employee ranges from \$500 (10 X \$50) to \$1,250 (25 X \$50).

The House Appropriations Committee amended the bill to make it effective upon publication in the *Kansas Register* to insure that employees with an anniversary date between June 19 and July 1 would not receive a longevity bonus payment in FY 2012. The Committee also extended the repeal of longevity bonuses to Legislative branch and Regents institution employees who do not derive the authority to receive longevity bonus payments from KSA 75-5541.

*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 fiscal note prepared by the Division of Budget indicated that the bill would reduce authorized expenditures by \$6,374,497 from the State General Fund and \$15,177,373 from all funding sources.