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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 2132

As Recommended by Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

Senate Sub. for HB 2132 would allow port authorities to sell real or personal property in a negotiated sale at less than its appraised value. In order to make such a sale, the port authority would be required to declare the sale would be in the public interest due to the return of new jobs, capital investment, or increased tax revenue. Current law prohibits port authorities from selling property below its appraised value.

Background

The Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs removed the original contents of HB 2132, which dealt with various proposed policies for employees of the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs. The Senate Committee then inserted the contents of HB 2386, as passed by the House Committee of the Whole, and recommended a substitute bill be adopted.

HB 2386 was introduced by the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs at the request of Representative Karleskint. At the House Committee hearing, the Executive Director of the Leavenworth County Port Authority testified in support of the bill. No other testimony was provided.

^{*}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

At the Senate Committee hearing, the Executive Director of the Leavenworth County Port Authority and Representative Karleskint testified in support of the bill. No other testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2386, as introduced, the Kansas Association of Counties and the League of Kansas Municipalities state enactment of the bill could lead to additional revenue for local governments with port authorities due to the return of new jobs, capital investment, or increased tax revenue associated with the sale of property at less than its appraised value. However, any fiscal effect would be negligible.