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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2676

As Amended by House Committee on
Local Government

Brief*

HB 2676, as amended, would authorize counties to create a Code Inspection and Enforcement Fund and expand an existing County Equipment Reserve Fund to include purchases of technology and technology services.

Code Inspection and Enforcement Fund

The bill would allow the board of county commissioners of any county to establish a Code Inspection and Enforcement Fund for the purposes of financing operations, equipment, and capital needs for a county's department charged with code inspection and enforcement. Such expenditures could include, but not be limited to, building, construction, land, water and gas application, inspection, testing, and permitting.

The bill would allow such expenses to be supported with charges assessed to building users based on a schedule of fees to be approved and transferred from any lawful source for such purposes, including the county general fund. Expenditures from the new fund would be subject to the statutes governing budgets of taxing subdivisions.

*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>

County Equipment and Technology Reserve Fund

The bill would change the name of each county's County Equipment Reserve Fund to the County Equipment and Technology Reserve Fund. The fund would be expanded to include the purchase of supplies and technology expenses, which would include cloud technology costs.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Federal and State Affairs at the request of Representative Howell.

House Committee on Local Government

In the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by representatives of Sedgwick County and the Sedgwick County Commission. Proponents generally discussed the benefits of the bill to provide clarity and flexibility to county budgets.

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by the Kansas Association of Counties.

The House Committee made technical amendments to the bill.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, the Kansas Association of Counties stated the bill would have a negligible impact on counties.

Local government, county, technology, code inspection and enforcement fund, county equipment and technology reserve fund