

SESSION OF 2023

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2449

As Recommended by House Committee on
Appropriations

Brief*

HB 2449 would increase the compensation paid to members of statutory boards or commissions from \$35 a day of attendance to the amount paid to legislators. [Note: KSA 46-137a(b) establishes the legislative per diem rate of \$88.66. The bill would not make any changes to the subsistence allowance or mileage rate.]

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Appropriations at the request of Representative Woodard.

House Committee on Appropriations

In the House Committee hearing on March 14, 2023, written-only **neutral** testimony by the Executive Director of the State Board of Healing Arts. The testimony notes that raising the per diem for time spent in meetings is a positive step in compensating individuals who are willing to serve on boards.

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>

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, state agencies would pay the difference between the current rate of compensation of \$35.00 per day and \$88.66 per day for each day of meetings in which a member participates, as well as any subsistence reimbursement expenses that the bill would require to be paid.

Legislative Administrative Services notes that creation of another committee, task force, or council by the Legislature could increase expenses by \$25,000 per year, all from the State General Fund. Absent any new committees, the fiscal effect on the Legislature's budget from enactment of the bill would be negligible.

Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2024 Governor's Budget Report*.

Board members; compensation