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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2460

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2460, as amended, would make a violation or an
aggravated violation of the Kansas Offender Registration Act
a person offense if the underlying crime (for which registration
is required) is a person crime. If the underlying crime is a
nonperson crime, the registration offense would be a
nonperson crime. If there are multiple underlying crimes,
which include both a nonperson crime and a person crime
that require compliance with the Kansas Offender
Registration Act, the registration offense would be a
person crime. Under current law, a violation or aggravated violation
of the Kansas Offender Registration Act is a person crime
regardless of the designation of the underlying crime.

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the
Kansas Register.

Background

The House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile
Justice introduced the bill at the request of the Kansas
Sentencing Commission.

In the hearing before the House Committee, proponent
testimony was provided by the Director of the Kansas
Sentencing Commission. Neutral testimony was provided by
a representative of the Kansas Association of Criminal
Defense Lawyers. There was no opponent testimony.

*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 House Committee adopted an amendment proposed by a representative of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police, Kansas Sheriffs’ Association, and Kansas Peace Officers Association to clarify that a violation of the Kansas Offender Registration Act would be a person crime if the underlying crimes include both a person crime and a nonperson crime that require registration.

In the hearing before the Senate Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice, the director of the Kansas Sentencing Commission testified in support of the bill. A representative of the Kansas Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers testified in support of the bill and offered a proposed amendment. There was no neutral or opponent testimony.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to make it effective upon publication in the Kansas Register.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Kansas Department of Corrections indicated it cannot provide a fiscal effect for the bill, as introduced, because the number of people who would be incarcerated or who would commit a registration violation is unknown. The Kansas Sentencing Commission indicated the bill, as introduced, would not have an effect on adult prison admissions or bed space.

Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in The FY 2017 Governor’s Budget Report.