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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2463

As Recommended by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2463 would amend statutes governing the determination of criminal history to add non-grid felonies to the list of juvenile adjudications that will decay if the current crime of conviction is committed after the offender reaches the age of 25. The bill also would add a provision that no juvenile adjudication for an offense that would be a nondrug severity level 5 through 10 felony, drug felony, non-grid felony, or misdemeanor if committed by an adult will be considered and scored if the current crime was committed at least five years after the final discharge of the adjudication and the offender has no new adjudications or convictions during that period.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice at the request of the Kansas Sentencing Commission. In the hearing before the House Committee, representatives of the Kansas Sentencing Commission and the Kansas Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers testified in favor of the bill. There was no neutral or opponent testimony.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Kansas Sentencing Commission states the bill may affect adult prison beds and the agency’s workload, but the Commission could not provide a precise estimate at the time the fiscal note was prepared. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in The FY 2017 Governor’s Budget Report.

*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