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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2464

As Recommended by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2464 would allow a court to continue or modify conditions of release for or impose a 120- or 180-day prison sanction on an offender who absconds from supervision, without having to first impose a 2- or 3-day jail sanction.

Background

The 2013 Legislature enacted HB 2170, which represented the recommendations of the Justice Reinvestment Working Group and included, among other provisions, various intermediate sanctions for violations of the conditions of release on probation, community corrections supervision, suspended sentence, or nonprison sanction. These intermediate sanctions are structured to become increasingly severe.

HB 2464 was introduced by the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice at the request of the Kansas Sentencing Commission. [Note: 2015 HB 2050 contained the same provisions as HB 2464, but was stricken from the House Calendar in March 2015.]

At the House Committee hearing, the executive director of the Sentencing Commission testified in support of the bill, stating it would provide courts with greater flexibility in imposing intermediate sanctions on offenders who abscond from supervision. There was no other 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
According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Sentencing Commission indicates there would be an effect on prison admissions and bed space, but an estimate cannot be made at this time.

The Department of Corrections indicates it cannot provide an estimate of the fiscal effect at this time. Any fiscal effect of the bill is not reflected in The FY 2017 Governor’s Budget Report.