## SESSION OF 2016

## SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2547

As Recommended by House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

## **Brief\***

HB 2547 would name the bison herd at the mined land wildlife area in Crawford County the "Bob Grant Bison Herd."

## **Background**

At the hearing before the House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources, Representative Lusker appeared as a proponent and explained that former Representative Grant had a great interest in the maintenance of the bison herd in Crawford County.

Also appearing as a proponent was a spokesperson from the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism. The spokesperson indicated the bison herd was one of three maintained in the state by the agency. The bison herd in Crawford County has five animals in it. The spokesperson indicated the Department would phase in the appropriate signage and publications as they are needed.

The House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

The Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism indicates expenditures to make changes to signage and brochures would likely be phased in over time and could be handled using existing resources. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.

<sup>\*</sup>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