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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2573

As Amended by House Committee on
Appropriations

Brief*

HB 2573, as amended, would allow the live audio streaming of legislative proceedings. The bill would place the Director of Legislative Administrative Services, under the direction of the Legislative Coordinating Council, in charge of administering and supervising live audio streaming. The bill would require the Director of Legislative Administrative Services to work with the Information Network of Kansas, Inc. (INK). Furthermore, INK would provide and agree to implement services the Director determines are necessary for live audio streaming. The bill would amend the statutorily required duties of INK to provide for live streaming of certain legislative proceedings to be executed within existing resources.

Background

In the House Committee on Appropriations hearing, proponent testimony was provided by Representatives Whitmer and B. Carpenter. Proponent testimony also was provided by a representative of INK, Americans for Prosperity, Open Kansas, Kansas Association of Broadcasters, and the Kansas Press Association.

There was no opponent or neutral testimony provided.

The House Committee amended the bill to specify the audio streaming will be directed by the Legislative

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Coordinating Council in agreement with INK, and the provisions of the bill will be implemented from within existing resources.

According to the original fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the original bill, in consultation with the Legislative Chief Information Technology Officer, equipping the remaining 13 committee rooms that do not have audio streaming capabilities would have a one-time cost of \$117,800, all from the State General Fund, in fiscal year FY 2016, and annual operational costs of \$40,390, all from the State General Fund, in each year thereafter. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2017 Governor's Budget Report*.