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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 112

As Amended by Senate Committee on Judiciary

Brief*

SB 112 would allow officer discretion in issuing citations for misdemeanor violations of the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism (KDWPT) laws. Specifically, the bill would change the requirement related to issuance of a citation from “shall” to “may.” Additionally, the bill would eliminate a provision in the current law that subjects an officer to sanctions for failing to issue a citation under this section.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Judiciary at the request of the KDWPT. At the Senate Committee hearing, a representative of KDWPT testified in support of the bill. There was no opponent or neutral testimony presented.

The Senate Committee adopted a technical amendment correcting a statutory reference.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, KDWPT indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect.

*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