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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2066

As Recommended by House Committee on
Water and Environment

Brief*

HB 2066 would require the Secretary of Transportation to reimburse a public wholesale water supply district for the cost to relocate water pipelines in a state highway right-of-way, excluding those water lines that cross a highway and have 90 percent or more of its water lines on private right-of-way.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Water and Environment. At the House Committee hearing, a representative of the Kansas Rural Water Association provided testimony in favor of the bill, stating the bill would add public wholesale water supply districts to existing law that requires the Secretary of Transportation to reimburse rural water districts. No other testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Kansas Water Office and Kansas Corporation Commission state the bill would have no fiscal effect on the agencies' budgets. The Kansas Department of Transportation states enactment of the bill could result in additional expenditures from the State Highway Fund; however, the agency is unable to determine how many public wholesale water supply districts would fit the requirements for reimbursement. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in The FY 2018 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