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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 371

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

SB 371 would amend law related to notices offering help to victims of human trafficking to require a prominent notice of such help be posted in any place required to post notices pursuant to:

- The Kansas Act Against Discrimination;
- The Kansas Age Discrimination in Employment Act;
- Kansas child labor law;
- Employment security law, rules, and regulations; or
- The Workers Compensation Act and adopted rules and regulations related to that Act.

Additionally, the bill would require the notice be posted in a location visible to members of the public in the following public places:

- Sexually oriented businesses, as defined in continuing law as an adult arcade, adult bookstore, adult novelty store, adult video store, adult cabaret, adult motel, adult motion picture theater, adult theater, escort agency, nude model studio or sexual encounter center;
- Massage parlors;

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- Health care facilities;
- Convenience stores and truck stops; and
- Rest areas and visitors centers under State supervision or control.

The bill would require the Attorney General to adopt rules and regulations prescribing the content, size, and other characteristics of such notice.

The bill also would remove outdated language regarding the Secretary of Labor's duty to implement a human trafficking awareness education plan.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Office of the Attorney General. In the Senate Committee hearing, a representative of the Human Trafficking Advisory Board within the Office of the Attorney General and a representative of the Topeka Shawnee County Human Trafficking Coalition testified in support of the bill. A representative of the Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association of Kansas provided written-only testimony in support of the bill.

A representative of Equal Entertainment Group and Kansas Licensed Beverage Association testified as a neutral conferee, expressing concern over mandating the posting of notice only for some businesses and not others. No other testimony was provided.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of Budget on the bill, the Office of the Attorney General estimates enactment of the bill would require additional printing and postage expenditures from the State General Fund ranging from \$2,990 to \$6,590 for FY 2020 and FY 2021.

The provision requiring posting in state-sponsored rest areas and visitor centers could require additional expenditures from the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) if the agency is required to print notices. KDOT postage costs could range from \$12.99 to \$1,234.50. All expenditures would be from the State Highway Fund. KDOT indicates it could absorb additional expenditures within its current expenditure limitation.

The Department of Labor and Kansas Human Rights Commission indicate enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect on their agencies. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2021 Governor's Budget Report*.