SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 147

As Amended by Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation

Brief*

SB 147, as amended, would increase the Kansas adoption tax credit to 100 percent of the federal adoption tax credit.

Current law provides for a tax credit amount of 25 percent of the federal adoption tax credit and additional amounts of 25 percent if the child adopted was a Kansas resident prior to the adoption and 25 percent if the child was a Kansas resident prior to the adoption and is a child with special needs, as defined in federal law.

Background

The bill was introduced by Senator Blasi.

Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation

In the Senate Committee hearing, proponent testimony was provided by Senator Blasi, generally stating the bill would assist families by providing an immediate offset to some of the costs of adopting a child.

Written-only proponent testimony was provided by representatives of Kansans for Life, Kansas Catholic Conference, and Kansas Family Voice.

*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
No other testimony was provided.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to remove a provision that would have made the credit refundable.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, the Department of Revenue indicates enactment of the bill would reduce State General Fund receipts by $14.5 million per year beginning in FY 2024.

A revised fiscal note on the amended bill was not immediately available. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in The FY 2024 Governor’s Budget Report.

Taxation; income tax; credit; adoption