

SESSION OF 2002

## **SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 499**

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

### **Brief\***

SB 499 would establish the Technology Communication Fee Fund within the office of the Secretary of State. Receipts to the fund would come from a fee to be set in regulation on all transactions with the agency. The bill would set a maximum fee of \$5. Expenditures from the fund are to be used for maintenance of the agency's technology systems.

### **Background**

The Committee introduced the bill upon the request of the Secretary of State. The Assistant Secretary of State appeared before the Committee in favor of the bill. There were no opponents presenting testimony.

The fiscal note on the original provisions of the bill which was prepared by the Division of the Budget estimates additional revenue of \$249,961 in FY 2003 (based upon a fee of \$1).

The Senate Committee amended the bill to include a statutory maximum of \$5 for the fee.

The House Committee amended the bill to double the franchise fees paid by business entities. These fees were last changed in 1972. The Secretary of State's Office estimates increased revenues to the State General Fund of \$18.0 million per year.

The House Committee of the Whole removed the provisions added by the House Committee on Appropriations.

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\*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.accesskansas.org/legislature/>