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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2810**

As Amended by Senate Committee on  
Ways and Means

**Brief\***

HB 2810, as amended, concerns reports required to be made by, and to, the Division of Accounts and Reports.

Under current law, the Director of Accounts and Reports is required to compile a report on all payments made as claims against the state and provide the report to the Senate Ways and Means Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and Joint Committee on Claims Against the State before the start of each legislative session. The bill would eliminate this automatic reporting requirement and would provide instead that the Director of Accounts and Reports would compile and provide the information upon request of any legislator, legislative committee, the Legislative Research Department, or any other legislative staff agency.

In addition, the bill would eliminate the statutory requirement that agencies make a detailed report to the Director of Accounts and Reports regarding any interest penalties paid or incurred under the Kansas Prompt Payment Act.

The bill, as amended, exempts agencies who are required to provide reports or other materials to the Legislature or to other state agencies from the requirement of providing printed copies of the materials if the agency makes the information available to the general public on the Internet for a period of at least six months and retains an electronic copy of the information in the archives of the agency for historical purposes.

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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/>

## **Background**

The Director of the Division of Accounts and Reports appeared in support of the bill. He noted that, since the creation of the Prompt Payment Act in 1984, no request had ever been made to the Division of Accounts and Reports to view the reports, and indicated that the information is easily obtained through use of the central accounting system.

The House Committee amended the bill to clarify that the information related to claims against the state would be provided at the request of the Legislative Research Department and any other legislative staff agency.

The fiscal note submitted by the Division of the Budget indicates the bill would have no fiscal impact.

The Senate Committee amended the bill to exempt agencies from the requirements of providing written reports and information if they made the information available on the Internet.