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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2999

As Amended by House Committee on
Utilities

Brief*

HB 2999 exempts landlords, who receive water by a city or water district and who furnish water to tenants, from the definition of public utility under KSA 66-104. Under the bill, the landlord would be allowed to charge the tenant the same rate charged by the city or water district to the landlord, plus the actual cost of the billing and collection of such charge, and the charge would not be construed as a sale.

Background

HB 2999 was introduced by the Committee on Appropriations and referred to the Committee on Utilities. Proponents of HB 2999 included the Kansas Manufactured Housing Association, Curtain Property Company, Heartland Apartment Association of Kansas City, Peterson Properties, Hunter's Pointe Apartments, and the law firm of Blackwell and Sanders.

The Committee on Utilities amended the bill by including a suggestion by the Kansas Manufactured Housing Association that would allow the inclusion of manufactured home communities, changing the word "reasonable" to "actual," and by adding a sentence stating that any furnishing of water by a landlord to a tenant would not be deemed a sale.

No opponents testified on the bill.

The Division of the Budget indicated in a fiscal note that HB 2999 would have no fiscal effect.

*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/cgi-bin/fulltext/bills.cgi>

