

SESSION OF 2003

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2150**

As Amended by Senate Committee on  
Transportation

**Brief\***

HB 2150 pertains to township roads in certain counties. The bill would:

- ! Require township boards in Douglas, Shawnee, and Sedgwick counties to place and maintain traffic control devices on township roads.
- ! Require these township boards to place and maintain regulatory signs on township roads under the board's jurisdiction consistent with a resolution of the board of county commissioners of the county where the township is located.
- ! Define a regulatory sign as a sign setting forth a regulation, the violation of which subjects the driver to a fine, imprisonment, or both.
- ! Neither prevent nor obligate county commissioners from placing and maintaining traffic control devices on township roads if the commissioners determine that traffic-control devices or signs placed by a township are not adequate.

**Background**

The Douglas County Counselor, the Douglas County Public Works Director, and the Executive Director of the Kansas Association of Counties testified in support of the bill before the House and Senate Transportation Committees. Representative Sloan and the representative of Sedgwick County also expressed support for the amendment in

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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.kslegislature.org/klrd>

the Senate Transportation Committee. No opponents presented testimony to the House and Senate Committees.

The House Transportation Committee's amendment was proposed by the Douglas County Counselor.

The Senate Transportation Committee's amendment makes only township boards in Douglas, Shawnee, and Sedgwick counties legally responsible for placing and maintaining traffic-control devices and guidance, warning, and regulatory signs.

An updated fiscal note is pending.