

SESSION OF 2004

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2616**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Judiciary

**Brief\***

HB 2616 sets the hourly rate for indigent defense services from the current \$50 an hour, as set by regulations, to \$80 an hour.

**Background**

Representative Davis spoke in favor of the bill. Conferees appearing on behalf of the Kansas Board of Indigents' Defense, the Kansas Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and the Douglas County Defense Bar expressed support for the measure. Written support for the bill was received on behalf of the Kansas Bar Association and the Kansas District Judges Association.

The fiscal note indicates a \$4 million impact based on current caseloads.

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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>