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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 89

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Ways and Means

Brief*

SB 89, as amended by the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, directs the State to pay for the cost of medical care and treatment of a prisoner who is injured (and determined to have no other resources) while in the custody of a law enforcement officer employed by the State. The bill also allows the State to seek reimbursement of such expenditures from prisoners. If the prisoner is covered by health insurance, the State may require the prisoner or the health care provider to file a claim in accordance with the contract.

Background

The bill, as amended by the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, clarifies the definition of an officer or employee of the State while acting as a law enforcement officer.

Senator Roger Reitz testified in support of the bill.

The fiscal note submitted by the Division of the Budget indicates that the impact of the bill could not be determined.

*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>