

SESSION OF 2005

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2005**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Governmental Organization and Elections

**Brief\***

As amended, HB 2005 would require each candidate for public office to disclose whether or not he or she has been convicted of a felony offense. Such disclosure would be made on a form provided by the Secretary of State.

**Background**

Representative Harold Lane testified in favor of this bill, indicating public disclosure of these felony convictions might assist in voters' decisions as well as serving other purposes. An official from the Secretary of State's Office provided testimony to inform the Committee of several points regarding the legislation, some of which addressed time specifications regarding the reporting of felony convictions.

The House Committee amended the bill to remove a requirement that even those felony convictions that had been expunged be reported. Technical changes were also made due to the removal of the requirement regarding expunged felony convictions.

A fiscal note for HB 2005 indicated passage of the bill would not affect the state budget; nor would it affect counties or municipalities.

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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>