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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2484

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

HB 2484 would address state law regarding imposition of licensing requirements and fees for vendors of agricultural, farm, garden or aquaculture products or fruits grown in Kansas. The bill would:

- ! Restate current law prohibiting cities from imposing licensing fees on producers and growers or growers' agents or employees when selling agricultural, farm, garden or aquacultural products grown by the growers in Kansas.
- ! Permit a city to require any producer, grower or grower's agent or employee to obtain a temporary license or permit to sell the agricultural, farm, garden, or aquacultural products they grow in this state. The license or permit must be valid for at least six months from the date of issuance.

Background

Proponents of the bill included Representative Ray Merrick and Brian Driskell of Overland Park. Appearing in opposition was a spokesperson for the City of Wichita, who later submitted additional testimony.

The House Committee on Governmental Organization and Elections amended the bill to permit a city to require producers and growers to obtain temporary licenses or permits. The original bill prohibited cities from requiring such a license or permit.

^{*}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

The House Committee of the Whole extended, from 60 days to six months, the minimum amount of time a temporary license or permit is valid.

The bill has no fiscal effect on the state budget.