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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 180

As Recommended by House Committee on Judiciary

Brief*

House Sub. for SB 180 would amend the law regarding docket fees to do the following:

- State that the authority to establish fees are reserved to the Legislature and would be the only fee or moneys collected for court procedures. Court procedures would include docket fees, filing fees or other fees related to access to court procedures.
- Raise the docket fees for certain provisions of the Uniform Act Regulating Traffic and the Code of Civil Procedure, criminal proceedings, juvenile offender proceedings, the Probate Code and the Small Claims Act by \$9 which would go to the State General Fund.
- Exempt payment of fees for any municipality.

Municipality would be defined to mean and include county, township, city, school district, community junior college, municipal university, drainage district, cemetery district, fire district, and other political subdivision or taxing unit, including their boards, bureaus, commissions, committees and other agencies, such as, but not limited to, library boards, park boards, recreation commissions, hospital boards of trustees having the power to create indebtedness and make payment of the same independently of the parent unit.

Background

The original bill was supported by Senator Greta Goodwin and

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the police chief of Arkansas City. Proponents said the bill would enhance enforcement of the underage drinking laws.

The original bill had no fiscal impact.

The House Committee deleted the original contents of the bill and inserted the provisions regarding docket fees. The provisions regarding the exemptions from docket fees for municipalities were from HB 2913. The definition of municipalities is from KSA 12-105a.