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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 361

As Amended by Senate Committee on Judiciary

Brief*

SB 361 would expedite the appeals process for the issuance of Prevention of Significant Deterioration Construction Air Permits, variances and renewal for variances from emission standards by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. The bill would provide that the Court of Appeals shall have original jurisdiction to review any agency final action.

The bill is effective upon publication in the Kansas Register.

Background

The bill was supported by the Sunflower Electric Power Corporation as a way to expedite the appeals process of KDHE final decisions. The bill was opposed by the Kansas Chapter of the Sierra Club, a Topeka attorney, and a environmental engineer from Paola.

The fiscal note states the fiscal impact would be negligible.

^{*}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