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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 432

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

SB 432 would expand the definition of "traffic offense" in the traffic code to include driving without proof of insurance thereby allowing juveniles 14 and over who violate this provision to be prosecuted as adults in municipal court and in the district court rather than be prosecuted under the Juvenile Offenders Code.

The bill also would expand provisions of the motor vehicle liability insurance law and nonpayment of damages to require the person with a suspended or revoked license to file specific proof of financial security, show that the person has paid the reinstatement fee of \$100 and has been released from liability, among other things. The reinstatement fee for a person whose license has been revoked within one year of a prior revocation would be \$300. Other procedures involving a person whose driver's license has been suspended or revoked are outlined in the bill.

Background

The bill was supported by an Overland Park municipal judge who said juvenile traffic offenders who cannot provide proof of insurance often are not charged with the offense under current law since this offense must be prosecuted under the Juvenile Offenders Code in district court.

The House Committee of the Whole inserted the provisions regarding financial security and nonpayment of damages procedural requirements.

The original bill has no fiscal impact on the state.

*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>