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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 569

As Recommended by Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Brief*

SB 569 would amend current law to allow the Kansas Highway Patrol to pay claims in amounts up to \$2,500. Current law allows payments up to \$1,000 by the Kansas Highway Patrol; claims above that amount are submitted to the Joint Committee on Claims Against the State. SB 569 would allow the Kansas Highway Patrol superintendent to authorize claim payments for personal injury or property damage which occurred during law enforcement efforts and which were not due to negligence on behalf of the claimant up to \$2,500. The bill would allow the Kansas Highway Patrol to adopt rules and regulations to implement processes to pay the claims.

Background

A representative of the Kansas Highway Patrol testified in support of SB 569. There were no opponents who testified at the Committee hearing. The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget indicates that the bill would not create a fiscal impact on the Kansas Highway Patrol, but might allow payments for damages to be paid in an expedited fashion.

^{*}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