

SESSION OF 2006

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2676

As Recommended by House Committee on
Governmental Organization and Elections

Brief*

HB 2676 would declare as void and unenforceable any provision of a restrictive covenant that requires the use of wood shingles or wood shakes as a roof covering material for any residential dwelling, unless the covenant allows for the use of an alternative material that meets certain criteria. The bill further states the provisions shall not affect the enforceability of a restrictive covenant that regulates or restricts certain aesthetic characteristics of roofing material so long as the restrictive covenant meets the bill's requirement regarding wood shingles and wood shakes.

Background

Proponents providing testimony included Representative Mario Goico, a representative of the Kansas Association of Fire Chiefs, the City of Wichita Fire Department Chief, a representative of the construction community, and the Sedgwick County Fire Marshal. Appearing in opposition was a representative of the Cedar Shake & Shingle Bureau. Discussion and debate focused upon the issue of fire safety.

According to the fiscal note, passage of the bill would not have a fiscal effect on the state budget.

*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>