#### SESSION OF 2025

#### SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2120

#### As Recommended by House Committee on Higher Education Budget

## Brief\*

HB 2120 would authorize the State Board of Regents, on behalf of Kansas State University (KSU) and the KSU Veterinary Medical Center (VCM), to sell certain real property in Manhattan, Kansas, and Omaha, Nebraska. The legal description for each property is provided in the bill.

The bill would convey the rights, title, and interest in the real property, which would be executed in the name of the State Board of Regents by its Chairperson and Executive Office. The conveyance would be prohibited until the deeds, titles, and conveyances have been reviewed and approved by the Attorney General.

The bill would also provide that if the State Board of Regents determines the legal description of the real estate described in the bill is incorrect, then the conveyance may include the correct legal description. However, the bill would require the deed conveying the property to be approved by the Attorney General.

The bill would state that KSU and KSU VCM would retain all proceeds from the sales of the property and would no longer incur costs to maintain the property. All proceeds from the sales would be credited to the Restricted Fee Funds of KSU and KSU VCM. The bill would also exempt the sale of the property from statutory appraisal and state surplus property requirements.

<sup>\*</sup>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 https://klrd.gov/

The bill would be in effect upon publication in the Kansas Register.

### Background

The bill was introduced by Representative Roeser.

## House Committee on Higher Education Budget

In the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by a representative of KSU, who provided background information on the use of the two buildings. The Manhattan property was being used for administrative offices, and the property in Nebraska was used for a satellite veterinary referral clinic. The representative noted that the sale of these properties would lower deferred maintenance cost for Kansas State University.

Written-only **proponent** testimony was provided by Riley County Board of Commissioners.

No other testimony was provided.

# **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of Budget on the bill, KSU VCM estimates additional revenue of \$1.1 million, and KSU estimates additional revenue of \$3.5 million, for a total of \$4.6 million in revenue for FY 2025 as a result of the sale.

The State Board of Regents indicates enactment of the bill would have negligible fiscal effect on its operations. Any fiscal effect associated with the bill is not reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report.* 

Kansas State University; Board of Regents; Manhattan; real estate